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Loans to be repaid over 20 years

Labour aims to levy tax on graduates

By Jill Sherman, Chief Political Correspondent

GRADUATES would have to pay back at least £12,000 for the cost of their university education over 20 years under a Labour government, it will be announced today.

The scheme, which marks the end of the party's commitment to free higher education, would replace the existing hybrid system of grants, loans and parental help to maintain students at university. Tuition would remain free.

Students would have to pay considerably more than they do now, but repayments which would be made through national insurance contributions and increase in line with salaries - would be spread

over a much longer period. Both main parties have now accepted that the present system cannot continue, although the Conservatives will not put forward detailed proposals until Sir Ron Dearing reports on higher education funding after the general election.

Labour's proposals, contained in a paper called Lifelong Learning, are being published after years of bitter infighting within the Labour Party over whether students should contribute to the costs of university education. Two years ago ago Jeff Rooker, a former higher education spokesman, was sacked from the frontbench after drawing up a paper supporting student

But now the move is expected to receive broad support as the only way to fund the surge in higher education - the number of students has almost doubled in the past eight years. And while Tony Blair has been wary about the electoral consequences of revamping the student loans scheme, he will argue that it is one of the "hard choices" new

Labour has to make. David Blunkett, the Shadow Education Secretary who will unveil the programme today. argues that it will allow more pupils from poorer and middle income backgrounds to go on to higher education, because they will no longer be

as reliant on parental contributions. At the moment 60 per cent of the upper and middle social classes go to university although they represent only 25 per cent of the population; only 10 per cent of the lowest social groupings do so.

The proposals are also designed to end the present situation where thousands of students get into debt.

At present, undergraduates may borrow up to £1,400 a year (£1,600 in London) from the student loan organisation. which they repay in monthly instalments over five years once their salaries reach 85 per cent of the average wage, about £13,000 to £14,000. Some are also entitled to grants of up to £1,800 (£2,300 in London), depending on their parents' income and many also rely on further

financial help from home. But many graduates have been unable to repay their loans and that has led to the virtual collapse of the Government's Student Loans Company.

Labour now plans to lend students at least £3,200 a year (£4,000 in London) and would expect them to pay back the sum over about twenty years. The party also wants to raise the starting salary for repayments, but it has not been decided to what level. It hopes that the Dearing Commission will advise a sum when it reports in September 1997.

Labour is also considering extending loans, at present confined to full-time students, to those on part-time courses and postgraduate education.

However, it concedes that

the plans will be expensive in the early stages and hopes the private sector will supplement the El billion the State puts towards the present system. To this end, a Learning Bank would be set up to which both the State and employers could contribute.

Labour also hopes to help mature students by linking its loans system to the independent learning accounts an-nounced by Mr Blunkett last month. Under that scheme employees would earn tax relief and a government grant if they put money into a learning account. Mr Blunkett plans to adapt the scheme so that those in employment can use the credit in their learning accounts for tertiary

Labour's scheme of "progressive contributions" to replace the current student loans programme is modelled on an Australian system where pupils have to pay 20 per cent of their tuition fees on top of maintenance.

But the party has backed away at the moment from asking students to pay to wards the costs of their tuition, although the new loan scheme is expected to cover the full maintenance costs. The new system would

apply only to new students

would not be retrospective. The financial crisis in higheducation has already

forced the Government to halt its expansion plans and to freeze the number of places for four years. University vicechancellors are considering charging students a £300 enrolment fee next year and it was that threat that prompted Gillian Shephard, the Education Secretary, to set up the Dearing Commission.

Pupil selection, page 2



Sex case WPC fights on

BY PAUL WILKINSON

POLICEWOMAN who claimed that sexual harassment by her fellow officers brought her close to a nervous breakdown lost her case yes-terday against three colleagues and their force.

Immediately WPC Karen Wade, of West Yorkshire police, said she would appeal. She still believed she had done much to help women officers who suffered abuse from male colleagues in silence.

"Although the result was not in my favour I do not regret for one moment having done so," she said. WPC Wade, 27, who left the Leeds industrial tribunal in tears after the verdict, was defiant: As a result of the vast media coverage that the case has received I believe I have given strength to others to stand up and challenge the treatmen they are receiving." She had received more than 50 messages of support from men and women all over the country, both police officers and civilians in other lines of employment. She plans to return to work elsewhere in

the force area. WPC Wade, who has been off sick with stress since last July, had told the tribunal in her home city that she had endured months of sexual taunts and innuendos from the three officers during her Continued on page 3, col 2

Fighting sexism

The European Commission wants all medium-sized companies to appoint coun-sellors to combat sexual harassment at work. A consultative document has been completed...

EU delays beef vote in hope of reaching a deal

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS

BRITISH hopes of a compro-mise in the beef crisis stayed alive last night as an EU Commission vote was suspended in the hope of setting a date for easing the embargo provided extra guarantees were provided by Britain.

The Commission was struggling to stop Germany and a handful of other states blocking a vote to ease the ban on the export of beef by-products. Franz Fischler, the EU farm Commissioner, tried to persuade reluctant farm ministers to get their veterinary officials to vote in favour of his call to lift the embargo on gelatin, tallow and bull semen.

Douglas Hogg, the Agricul-ture Minister, was reported to have threatened that Britain would demand a special summit of EU leaders if the ban was not immediately eased. The calling of an emergency summit is the first item on a list of possible British retaliatory measures.

Germany appeared to have gathered enough allies to block any easing of the embargo under the EU's qualified majority voting rules until Britain introduces tougher measures to eradicate BSE.

Britain and the Commission had hoped that the veterinary committee of national officials would approve a first relaxation of the ban after Britain offered to double the size of the selective cattle cull which it had earlier proposed. But this was not enough for Germany. Austria, and Greece.

British farmers and vets denounced the Government's proposal to slaughter up to 80,000 cattle. The president of the British Veterinary Association, Bob Stevenson, said: "Extending the cull cannot be justified on scientific grounds and would be nothing more than a public relations exercise."

I thought we made a donation to the Tory Party last year

Tory funding Labour wants the Nolan Commission to investigate Tory funding after an alleged

Serbian donation Page 2



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Sinn Fein 'ready to fall in line'

By NICHOLAS WATT IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

GERRY ADAMS said last night that Sinn Fein was prepared to sign up to the six principles of non-violence that were outlined by George Mitchell in his report on the terrorists' weapons. But the Sinn Fein president

immediately lowered hopes of a fresh IRA ceasefire when he said he had no idea whether the organisation would end its present bombing campaign. His comments fuelled speculation that Sinn Fein is trying to distance itself from the IRA

in an attempt to put pressure on the Government to allow it to join peace talks without an IRA ceasefire. Some commentators believe that even if the IRA fails to declare a truce. Sinn Fein will say that it has met the criteria for joining the talks because it is totally separate from the IRA.

The Northern Ireland Office welcomed Mr Adams's comments that he would accept the Mitchell principles. However, a spokesman insisted that the IRA must declare an "unequivocal restoration" of its 1994 ceasefire before Sinn Fein could join the all-party talks on June 10.

In an interview with BBC Northern Ireland, Mr Adams said he would endorse the Mitchell principles if Britain agreed to hold proper all-party talks. The principles call for the "total disarmament of all paramilitary organisations" and call on political parties to renounce violence. He said: "I'll sign up to the Mitchell principles provided everybody is doing it and they are within the context of proper all-party talks. All of those issues are within Sinn Fein's public policy." He insisted that John Major would also have to sign up to the principles, "given the history of British repression

in Ireland. Mr Adams dampened speculation about a renewed IRA truce when he said that no-one knew what the IRA would do. Pressed on whether the IRA would end its campaign, he said: "We are not the IRA."

Ministers have made clear that they will not countenance any distinction between Sinn Fein and the IRA. Mr Major had said it was a "laughable fiction" to suggest that they were separate organisations.

David Trimble, the Ulster Unionist leader, also rejected

any suggestion that the two

organisations were distinct

THE POPE will announce today that the Bishop of Sal-



Right Rev Patrick Kelly

Kelly to be named Liverpool archbishop

By Ruth Gledhill, religion correspondent

ford, the Right Rev Patrick servative wing, will succeed Derek Worlock, who died of Kelly, is to be the new Arch-

bishop of Liverpool. Bishop Kelly, the favourite of the Roman Catholic Church's con-

cancer earlier this year.
At 57, Lancashire-born Bishop Kelly is one of the most respected theologians in the Church, with a special expertise in liturgy. He is said to be amused by wits in the diocese who have been saying that he did not want the job because he did not wish to be known as

'His Grace Kelly". Bishop Kelly is considered more urbane and approachable than his predecessor. He has a lively sense of humour and is much loved in his present diocese.

Cannes showers awards on British film-maker

By DALYA ALBERGE ARTS CORRESPONDENT

MIKE LEIGH, one of Britain's most admired writer-directors, was showered with awards at the Cannes Film

Festival last night. Secrets and Lies, his £3 million film about a black girl's search for her natural mother, won the coveted Palme

It also picked up the international critics' award for top film, and one of its lead characters, Britain's Brenda Blethyn, won the Grand Jury's vote as best actress. She plays a woman traumatised by

cepting her award at last night's glitzy

ceremony, she slipped back into char-

acter: "Cor, this is living ain't it?" "It's fantastic," Mr Leigh exclaimed. "I love my film and love watching it."

The director, who focuses on the family and relationships against an urban background, spoke of being flattered to being reunited with the daughter she hear that Secrets and Lies had been gave away at birth and who calls making men cry. Receiving his award from Anjelica everyone "sweetheart, darling". Ac-

Huston, the actress-director, he said

he had "gone through hell" to make the

film. "But I enjoyed every minute of it." He said his award would encourage "anyone making a film about real life, caring, passion - the things that

> David Cronenberg's version of J G Ballard's 1970s cult book, Crash, won a special prize, despite controversy over its violence and sexual content.

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closing at 220 p. About 9 per cent of the 665,000 small investors who applied for shares had sold out by the end of

the day. The view in the City is that this is two fingers stude

up at the Labour Party," one senior market source said

Ministers said they were delighted by the response to the

sale. which restores private ownership of Britain's railways

and stations after 50 years of state control. However, Labour insisted that the flotation had been less successful

than those of the Eighties. Business, pages 25, 26, 27, 28

NEWS IN BRIEF

Bald truth about Pendry's patchy performance

Mid Staffs) knows a lot of words but sometimes has difficulty in using them. Meaning to be helpful yesterday, he chipped in after a question to the Heritage Secretary about television transmitters in Wales, from Cynog Dafis (Plaid Cymru, Ceredigion & Pembroke N). Mr Fabricant had advice on what you or I might call the Welsh landscape, but he solemnly called it "the topology of the

Principality". "Ooh!" chorused MPs in mock admiration, like a Blind Date studio audieno:. But wasn't their admiration misplaced? Topology? Teopogra-

We fell to wondering what

topology does mean. Speculating that it might mean the study of the top, I stared down aimlessly at the top of Tom Pendry's head.

Mr Pendry (Stalybridge and Hyde) is a spokesman on sport in Labour's Heritage team. Sitting, as he does, below me and a few yards in front, I have a view enjoyed by few outside the bird world of his bald patch. It is perfectly round and wonderfully smooth, just like that of the Heritage spokesman Mark Fisher. Is this monkish look a

precondition for speaking for the Opposition on heritage? But, as Mr Pendry spoke (on women's cricket), a more urgent speculation gripped me.
"A silly answer to a silly



question," he sneered at Sports Minister Iain Sproat, and each time he said "silly", the skin around the back of his bald patch wrinkled. It wrinkled in tiny waves, like ripples along one bank of a pond: an eyeless scowl on the top of his

But why only when he said "silly"? Unable to see the front of Mr Pendry's head without crossing the gallery and losing sight of the back, I can only hypothesise. I believe it is when he raises his eyebrows that the skin ridges at the back

of his head. It takes up the slack. Thus were the Andes raised, millions of years ago. by a moving plate on the

globe's pate. For the next Heritage Questions I have arranged for a front of Mr Pendry's head to signal when he raises his eyebrows. Short of a system of mirrors this is the only way to check whether the phenomena

But, as the philosopher David Hume taught us, where two events occur together, we which. We should not assume that it is the raising of Mr Pendry's eyebrows which is causing the ridging of the back of his bald patch.

It may be the other way round. The arena on which Mr Pendry's emotional life is played out may be the bald patch: he may be snarling with his scalp. It could be this which is tugging his eyebrows helplessly around — that famous Pendry quizzical look no more than what Mr Fabricant would call an epiphenomenon, if he could get it right.

If this is the case then the television cameras are positioned wrongly, relaying surface movements on the part of Mr Pendry's head with the eyes, nose and mouth in it. instead of zooming in on what - as you, readers, and I, are among the first to realise may be the seat of an MP's passions: the bald patch on the top of his head.

'We want baldy justice!" shouted Dennis Skinner (L. from the Chamber.

isters that judges break with tradition and abandon their wigs. Mr Mackinlay's question was signalled on the Order Paper. Moments before I saw an MP, one whom sketchwriters have long suspected of wearing a wig. eye Skinner — and slip prudently

Railtrack investors were sitting on instant profits of up to £150 last night as shares in the company soared by 30½ p on their first day of trading on the stock market. City concerns about the Labour threat to Railfrack's profits were cast aside in heavy dealing. After opening at 190p the shares rose quickly to a peak of 2272p before

Bolsover), ten minutes later. His fellow heckler Andrew Mackinlay, the Beast of Thurrock, was demanding of min-

Sudan envoys expelled

Britain ordered the expulsion of three Sudanese diplo mats, including a senior envoy, in keeping with United Nations sanctions over Sudan's support for terrorism. The Sudanese Ambassador was summoned to the Foreign Office and told that the diplomats must leave within a month. The remaining 12 face restrictions requiring them to give notice of any trips outside London. The Sudanese Embassy in London had no comment. Britain, which has seven diplomats in Khartoum, is awaiting retaliatory action.

Strike ballot for pilots

British Airways flights could be grounded in July by a pilots' strike. The pilots' union, Balpa, is to ballot its 3,000 BA members on a pay and productivity package. BA yesterday announced record pre-tax profits of £585 million last year and said that its 56,000 staff were to share a £94 million bonus for helping to make the airline the most profitable in the world. The bonus, boosted by 20 per cent if taken in company shares, will be worth £5,000 to some Efficiency drive, page 25

Transsexual fights RAF

A transsexual former RAF technician was granted leave to apply for a judicial review of the Ministry of Defence's decision to sack her. The 26-year-old woman, who joined the RAF as a man in 1990 and was dismissed in 1993; is challenging the legality of the MoD policy which bars from the forces anyone who has had a sex-change operation. Mr. Justice Buston said in the High Court that the case raise questions which should be argued before a full hearing.

Couple shot in head

A British woman and her French husband, whose bodie were found at the weekend in the boot of their car at the bottom of a canal in Alsace, eastern France, were shot in the head, post-mortem examinations have shown. French police said yesterday that Alain and Angela Hay, car dealers who lived in the Channel port of Le Havre, may have been killed in connection with the lucrative crossborder trade in luxury cars.

Grilling for Rolls-Royce

Rolls-Royce may have to redesign its radiator grille under Europe an Union proposals aimed at improving safety for pedest rians in low-speed collisions. A draft directive, which is streangly opposed by car makers, would force all new cars from, 2005 to have a smooth contoured front and bonnet. Lux ury marques including Rolls-Royce would not meet the dir ective. Tests have shown that the regulations could save 70, lives a year in Britain and 700 across Europe.

Robber awarded £1,000

A robber has been awarded £1,000 compensation for being kept in prison five days too long. Andrew Mason, 24, sentenced to two years by Merthyr Tydfil Crown Court for beating a disabled pensioner, should have been released on October I, 1994, with maximum remission after completing half his term. Due to a derical error, he remained in Swansea prison until October 6. The Home Office gave him £1,000 in an out-of-court settlement.

Kirov at the Coliseum

The Kirov Ballet is to perform at the London Coliscum for the first time at Christmas in a rechoreographed revival of one of their most famous productions, *The Nateracker*, last seen in the 1960s. Their three-week season is among highlights of a 1996-97 programme announced yesterday by English National Opera. Other dance partnerships include a staging by the American Mark Morris Dance Group of Handel's L'Allegro with ENO musicians and singers.

Man hacked to death

A former professional footballer was backed to death by a 30-strong gang in a bloody feud between doormen, police said yesterday. Stephen Cole, a former Liverpool reserves player, was hunted down by the gang armed with baseball bats, knives and machetes who roamed the neighbourhood in a convoy of up to a dozen cars. They burst into a crowded pub in Fazakerley and attacked Mr Cole. 37, in spite of his wife Lorraine's attempts to intervene.

Jon Pertwee dies at 76

Jon Pertwee, the character actor best known as the third Dr Who, has died while on holiday in America. Pertwee, who was 76, died of a heart attack in his sleep while staying with his German-born second wife, Ingeborg, in Connecticut. During a career spanning 60 years he will be best remembered as the most stylishly dressed Dr Who and as the scarecrow character Worzel Gummidge. This year be had toured in a one-man theatre show. Obituary, page 19

Nesting birds need feed

summer, the British Trust for Ornithology said. The advice is based on new research showing that an artificial food supply increases the chances of a successful nesting season. This overturns the previous orthodoxy that nuts and seeds should not be put out during nesting because of the danger that chicks might choke on them.

Former treasurer urges Conservatives to return 'dubious' Nadir donation

Labour calls for Nolan inquiry on Tory party funding

LABOUR last night demanded that the Nolan Committee on. Standards in Public Life investigate funding of the Conservative Party as the dispute intensifed over an alleged donation from a Serbian businessman with reported links to Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb Jeader.

Lord McAlpine of West Green, treasurer of the Tory party while Margaret Thatcher was leader, added to the Tories' discomfort when he urged John Major to return money donated by the fugitive rycoon Asil Nadir. former chairman of Polly Peck. Touche Ross, the accountants, are reported to have advised Conservative Central Office secretly three years ago that £365,000 of the money given by Nadir had been taken from Polly Peck.

Party treasurers yesterday began an inquiry into reports that they had accepted £100,000 from a Yugoslavborn businessman who was allegedly linked to Dr Karadzie, who is wanted for war crimes. John Kennedy, 30. a prospective Tory parliamentary candidate, is alleged to have arranged a lunch for the unnamed businessman and Jeremy Hanley, the then party chairman, in December

1994, at a Mayfair club. Mr Hanley has denied that donations were discussed. At the weekend, The Sunday Times alleged that the donations were made between 1992 and 94 at the height of the war in Bosnia

lead Labour's assault over the political research, has dis-



McAlpine: remarks were played down by party

donations to the Tories, at Prime Minister's Question Time today. John Prescott, the deputy Labour leader, said vesterday that the case for the Tories to open their party books to public scrutiny was now "unanswerable".

Downing Street was standing firm last night. One official said: "It is not in Lord Nolan's remit to investigate these allegations. There has already been a Home Affairs Select Committee report on the issue."

Brian Mawhinney, the Torv party chairman, has ordered an investigation into the newspaper allegations that the party had received more than £100,000 from the Serb businessman. He emphasised that he had no reason to believe

there had been impropriety. Mr Kennedy, who runs a Tony Blair is expected to consultancy specialising in missed the allegations "as fantastic nonsense". He said: "I have not raised any amount, either in total or in

The businessman, through his lawyers Peter Carter-Ruck has also denied the reports. "Our client is outraged by any suggestion that he is linked in any way to Radovan Karadzic or the Bosnian Serbs."

Lord McAlpine, a critic of Mr Major's administration, said: "At the time we took the donation from Asil Nadir, he was regarded as one of Britain's leading businessmen. He had just won the Queen's Award for Industry. Subsequently he turned out to be rather a bad lot. It seems as if the money that we took was dubious. Personally, I would have given it back," he told BBC Radio 4's World at One.

But Conservative Central Office officials played down the intervention of Lord McAlpine, saying: "We are surprised that Lord McAlpine raises these issues now because he has never raised them when he still had strong personal connections with Conservative Central Office."

Mr Prescott said: "As things stand, a multi-million pound Tory [election] campaign is being funded from secret sources. We have no idea what promises the Tories have given to foreign donors in return for the money. The time has come for John Major to reverse his previous decision to deny Nolan the opportunity to investigate party funding."



By ANDREW PIERCE

JOHN KENNEDY, a distant kinsman of the exiled Yugoslavian royal family, has relentlessly exploited his blue blood connections since his Surrey schooldays. He was dubbed Crown Prince of Suburbo Croatia by friends in the Greater London Young Conservatives because of his tendency to mention his royal forebears

Mr Kennedy was born in Belgrade with the name Gvozdenovic but later added Kennedy, his British mother's maiden name. He came to England as a baby.

Mr Kennedy, 30, is engaged to Princess Lavinia of Yugosla-via whose father. Prince Andrej, was third in line to his Letters, page 17 country's throne. He helped to

organise a high-profile visit to Belgrade by the exiled members of the family in 1991. In 1994 his rise up the ladder continued when he

became equerry and private secretary to Prince Michael of Kent. In January 1995 he was arrested for allegedly trying to blackmail a member of the exiled Libyan Royal Family. Charges were never brought and he maintains that he was

smeared by M15. His links with Radovan Karadzic and Slobodan Milosevic, the Serbian leader, were extensive. He has had many meetings with both and organised a visit to London by Dr Karadzic. He was also a paid consultant to a firm of political lobbyists, IGA, which acted for the Serbian Govern-

ment until the imposition of

sanctions. Mr Kennedy's political connections. knowledge of his former homeland, and ability to act as an interpreter made him a prize catch for Dr Karadzic.

In 1992 Dr Karadzie described Mr Kennedy as the
"Kissinger of Yugoslavia" for his peace efforts between the warring factions. He is referred to as Senator Kennedy in the Serbian press. Mr Kennedy has had no contact with Dr Karadzic since he was

accused of war crimes. Princess Lavinia, 30, a gossip-column favourite. have been a big success on the doorsteps of Halesowen and Rowley Regis, in the V/est Midlands, which Mr Ken nedy will fight at the next election. The constituency has a r totional Tory majority of 1,50,0.

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to pupil selection

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION EDITOR

MINISTERS are investigating new tests for 11-year-olds to select pupils for specialist technology colleges, Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secretary. announced yesterday.

Another 38 schools were named as language or technol-ogy colleges yesterday, bring-ing the number of specialist schools in the Government's programme to 196.

With most of the schools heavily oversubscribed, new aptitude tests are being explored to ensure that places go to the most talented pupils in

With a White Paper on school admissions due for publication next month, the announcement will be seen as a further step in the direction of selective schooling. But Mrs Shephard emphasised that the new tests did not signal a wholesale return to 11-plus

examinations. What we want to do is to make it easier for schools and colleges that do want to select. where that is the local wish," Mrs Shephard said. "No-one

the II-plus. But there is no doubt selection by aptitude in this area will be useful in some schools."

The National Foundation for Educational Research has been commissioned to develop the technology tests. Mrs Shephard said some schools already assessed pupils' aptitude for technology. The new tests, to be carried out in primary schools, would be an additional tool to gauge potential, rather than knowledge of the subject.

The 24 new technology colleges and 14 specialising in languages will benefit from a mixture of public and private funding. Business sponsors, who

have contributed £30 million to the programme, include multinational corporations such as British Aerospace, Glaxo Wellcome and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Group. Labour welcomed research

into testing aptitude, which a spokesman said fitted the party's ideas about banding by ability and setting bench-marks to test pupils' progress.

New colleges move | Redwood supports rebels on media

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY, POLITICAL CORP (ESPONDENT

JOHN REDWOOD stepped into an internal Tory dispute last night to support two ministerial aides who may be forced to resign today.

Peter Atkinson and John

Whittingdale, both parliamentary private secretaries, have threatened to vote against provisions in the Broadcasting They have signed

amendment calling for the Government to abandon plans to prevent groups with more than 20 per cent of national newspaper circula. tion from investing in Chann el 5 or independent televisir on. The rules would affect Mir ror Group Newpapers and N tews International, which The Times and three other national newspapers.

Mr Atkinson ar id Mr Whittingdale were strongly supported by Mr Redwood, the former Conservative leadership challenger. He said that he had alre ady told the National Herita ge Secretary, Virginia Botto mley, of his reservations a bout the Bill, although he w ras not threatening the Gove rnment: "I point-

ed out the at technology was moving very quickly. The distinctions between different types of media journalism were being blurred. I asked her if I per instincts were a little out of pace."

M rs Bottomley has been give n unanimous backing by Ca binet colleagues and will not give in to the rebellion t'nreat. Iain Sproat, National Heritage Minister, will tell MPs that the 20 per cent limit ensures a variety of ownership. Mr Atkinson and Mr

Whittingdale argue that the limit should be replaced with rules allowing cross-media ownership unless it is against the public interest. If they do not back the Covernment position in the committee vote. they would be expected to resign from their PPS positions.

Mr Atkinson is PPS to the Foreign Office ministers Jeremy Hanley, David Davis and Sir Nicholas Bonsor. Mr Whittingdale is PPS to the Education and Employment ministers Eric Forth and Lord

Garden owners should go on putting out peanuts, sunflower seeds and other food for birds throughout the

One Nation Dorrell stakes claim to centre ground

By PHILIP WEBSTER POLITICAL EDITOR

STEPHEN DORRELL laid claim to the Tory centre ground yesterday in a speech asserting that Lady Thatcher was a One Nation Tory and rejecting the prescriptions of left-wing parties to meet people's fears about economic

insecurity, In remarks that confirmed the Health Secretary's shift to the Right away from his former position as one of the leading figures on the Le ft. Mr Dorrell daringly invoked Thatc herism to dismiss the attempts of Tony Blair to

secure the One Nation mantle ... Mr Dorrell's speech to the Tory Reform Group in London w as immediately seen by Conservativ e MPs last night as putting down a marker for any future leadership cor itest. Michael Howard's fierce attack ' tast Friday on the European Court of Justice and his call for powers to be r epatriated from Brussels was seen in a similar light. and has undoubtedly strengthened his support on the Euro-sceptic Right.

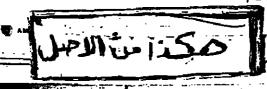
The flurry of philosophical speeches from senior Cabinet ministers led Labour to claim last night that a Tory leadership contest was under way. Frank Dobson, the Shadow Environment Secretary, said Mr Dorrell is trying to be the unity candidate and

making a fool of himself". But it was Mr Dorrell's attempt to bridge the Tories' divide on welfare and Europe that most caught the eye of

senior Conservatives. He said the obligation to support those who were unable to support themselves was one that every Conservative would acknowledge, but the increasing size of the social security budget raised questions that could not be dodged.

In words that would also have pleased the Right, Mr Dorrell underlined the concept of nationhood, which he said was at the heart of Conservative political tradition, and called for a





Air crash nurse hailed a heroine for saving doctor

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH, SCOTLAND CORRESPONDENT

A NURSE who staggered from the wreckage of an air ambulance to rescue a severely injured doctor was praised as a heroine yesterday as accident investigators began an inquiry into the

EXDAY MAY,

After surviving the impact and raising the alarm at a house nearby. Maureen Polson, 27, returned to the scene close to Tingwall air-strip in Shetland to pull Ger-ald Freshwater, 47, clear of the aircraft which was in danger of catching fire.

Dr Freshwater, a consultant anaesthetist from Lerwick, received severe chest injuries. and was on a ventilator in a serious condition last night. He was operated on for several hours at the Gilbert Bain Hospital in Lerwick before being transferred by air ambulance to Glasgow's Royal Infirmary.

The pilot, Alan Young, 37, from Goff, Shetland, was killed instantly when his eight seater Britten-Norman Islander, operated by Loganair, crashed in atrocious weather. The bruised and severely shocked nurse, from the isle of

brave", said her boss, Derek Cox. a public health director, who also praised ambulancemen and paramedies. "She lifted debris off Dr Freshwater, undid his seat belt and got

him away from danger." The aircraft had taken an injured oil platform worker to hospital in Inverness and was returning to Lerwick when it crashed shortly before 1.00am yesterday. It is the first fatal crash involving an air ambulance in more than 30 years. Witnesses said the aircraft

was attempting to land at Tingwall when it crashed into farmland half a mile from the end of the runway.

The aircraft is reported to have been making its second attempt at landing. The pilot may have wanted to check for gusts of crosswind over the runway, before attempting a landing. He then flew south for a mile until he was over the north end of Tingwall Loch, and appears to have turned west, to make another circuit of the airfield.

As the plane turned, the blustery south-easterly wind, with gusts of up to Force 8, was on its tail. The aircraft lost height when it should have

been climbing and, instead of flying above electricity lines on the gently sloping hillside, it headed under the wires. Skid marks on the grass

show where the aircraft's nosewheel struck the ground. Travelling at up to 100 mph, its undercarriage hit a post-and-wire farm fence, flattening it and toppling the aircraft forwards and sideways. It smashed into an electricity pole, ploughed through another fence and cartwheeled across a 3ft-deep ditch before skidding to a halt.

The Britten-Norman Islander, believed to be about 20 ears old, had flown interisland flights in Shetland and Orkney for almost 30 years and is regarded as one of the safest of all small aircraft.

Scott Grier, managing di-rector of Loganair, said: "Alan Young was a fine young man. We are all very sad at the loss of a colleague and very distressed for Mrs Young."

Mr Grier said Loganair would carry out its own investigation. We are trying to establish all the facts. The weather was windy and wet. but it was typical Shetland weather and our pilots are experienced in such con-

Councillor Jim Irvine said the whole of Shetland had been shocked by the accident. popular doctor. Everyone wil be tremendously shocked by

Linda Freshwater, the doctor's wife, who is a former theatre sister, said: "I am used to seeing people connected to tubes, but it is obviously different when it is someone so close to you." The couple have two children, Eleanor, 21, and Edward, 19, who are both at Coventry University.



Jane Asher and the Right Rev Peter Nott, Bishop of Norwich, admiring a rose launched to mark the 900th anniversary of Norwich Cathedral

Warm welcome for Queen at Chelsea show

By Robin Young

THE QUEEN toured the Chelsea Flower Show yesterday evening in bright sunshine. The more element weather came as a relief to exhibitors who had fought through a cold, dark spring, and who feared at the weekend that high winds might blow their great

marquee down. The Queen found the weather pleasant enough for an openair stroll and toured the outside

gardens first. That isn't very pretty," she said, indicating a bespectacled iron mask with ram's horns used as a decorative centrepiece in a "globetrotters' garden" designed by students of

Askham Bryan College, near York. It is to be hoped her ancestors did not share this opinion. The item was a copy of a heimet given to Henry VIII by the Emperor Maximilian and now in the Royal Armouries, Leeds.

The exhibitors are still wondering, though, what the British climate will throw at them next, and there is

gloomy agreement that it is likely to be a summer of drought. The Chelsea show has four miles of water pipes and a copious supply from 20,000-gallon tanks. Few horticulturalists expect such bounty to be available to the nation's gardeners this summer.

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crashed in Shetland. The pilot was killed instantly

Boy accused of killing 'enjoyed

By Paul Wilkinson

being bad'

A BOY of 10 who dropped a piece of concrete from the roof of a 12-storey block of flats, killing a pensioner, later told police that it was fun to be bad, a court heard yesterday.

The jury at Leeds Crown Court was told that one of its tasks was to decide whether the boy, who cannot be named, knew he was doing wrong. He has denied the manslaughter of Edna Condie, 74, who was hit by the 19lb coping stone as she entered the block of flats in Kirkstall, Leeds, last August.

As Michael Harrison, QC, outlined the case, the boy sat between his mother and a social worker at the back of the court, dressed in a hooded top and jeans. Mr Harrison claimed the defendant knew it was wrong to throw things from the roof, as he had been in trouble before after smash-

ing a bus window.

Mr Harrison said the boy was one of a group that had persuaded a woman to let them into the building and had made their way to the roof. "One of the children claimed one of his friends had warned the boy not to throw the stone, but he had replied. Watch me and see. He then

Police arrested the defen-dant at his home. Mr Harrison said: "When asked by police if he thought throwing things from the roof was fun, the defendant said 'Yes'. When asked why it was fun, he said he didn't know. When asked if it was fun being bad, the defendant replied 'Yes' and said it wasn't fun being good.

WPC loses case

Continued from page 1 service at Holbeck station. She

claimed the final straw had come when one of the three, PC Dean Mountain, jokingly asked a glue sniffer she had just helped arrest whether he wanted to have sex with her.

After a five-day hearing, the tribunal decided against her complaints of sexual harassment by PC Mountain, 30. Sergeant Paul Fountain, 30. and Detective Sergeant Ian Devey, 32, and the West Yorkshire police. It also dismissed her claim of victimisation by the force and her allegations of a criminal conspiracy among the officers to

pervert the course of justice. Tony Simpson, the tribunal chairman, said they had reached a decision that none of the respondents discriminated against her on the grounds of her sex. "As none of the allegations were found to be substantiated on the balance of probabilities, it is not necessary for the tribunal to consider any allegations against the

first respondent, the West Yorkshire police." WPC Wade had complained that the Police Federation, the junior ranks' union, had chosen to support the three officers against her allegations. She had been represented free of charge by Maureen Baker. who lectures West Yorkshire

police on racial and sexual

harassment

Hilary McLaughlin, who represented the three officers. said: "Since August 1995 these officers have been subjected to an internal and external investigation. Nothing was found by the internal investigation but the applicant then brought further allegations into the public arena, only for the men

to be exonerated again."

The tribunal had heard evidence last week from Sergeant Jane McGill, an officer with 26 years' service who had broken down in tears as she spoke of a "culture of sexual harassment" within the force. She said she had been sexually assaulted four times during

Keith Hellawell, the West Yorkshire Chief Constable, welcomed the tribunal's finding, but admitted there was an element of sexual harassment within the force and he found

it repugnant. "I will continue to encourage officers to report incidents harassment and I will continue to make it clear that such behaviour is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.

The outcome of the tribunal supports the findings of the very thorough internal investigation that preceded this case. I am not naive enough to believe that there is no harassment within this organisation."



The three officers, from left, PC Mountain, Sgt Fountain and Sgt Devey, who were exonerated

Rocky moment for minister on whether to roll with Oasis

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

ROCK fans may be about to present Michael Forsyth, the Scottish Secretary, with the most difficult decision of his career. Eighty thousand tick-ets have been sold for two Oasis concerts in a conservation area, before planning permission has been granted. The final go-head could rest with Mr Forsyth. If he says no to the performances on Loch Lomondside, it could cost his

party a large chunk of the youth vote. If he says yes, he

risks upsetting rural voters

near his Stirling constituency.

where his majority is 703. The concerts at Balloch country park on August 3 and 4 sold out ten days ago. A temporary campsite is being established and a regular site has been block-booked by Dutch and Austrian fans.

Opponents among local residents point out that the village has just one public lavatory, and there are fears that the wildlife haven may be badly damaged. Residents have until tomorrow to voice complaints to West Dunbar-tonshire Council, which

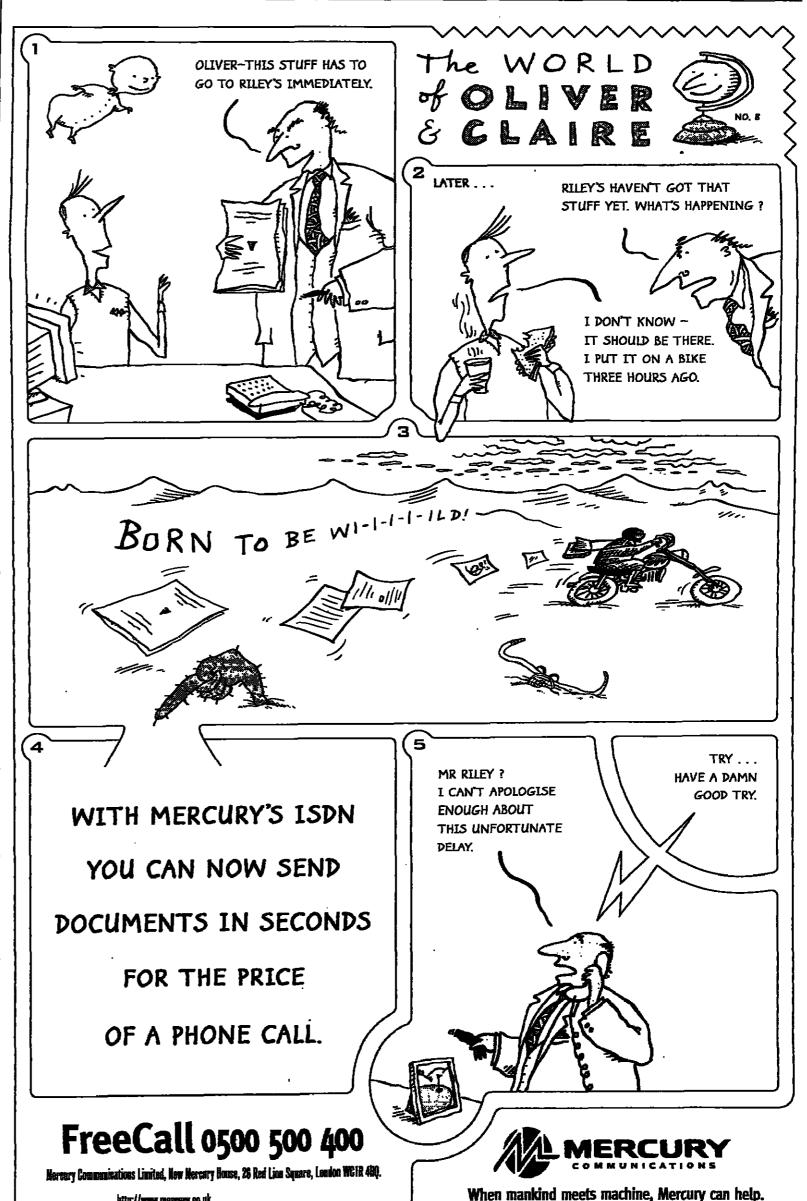
stands to gain £70.000 from the concerts.

The planning committee will decide on the fate of the concerts on June 5. A council spokeswoman said that the issue could be referred to Mr Forsyth under one of his own directives, stating that conflicts of interest on planning consent must go to the Scot-

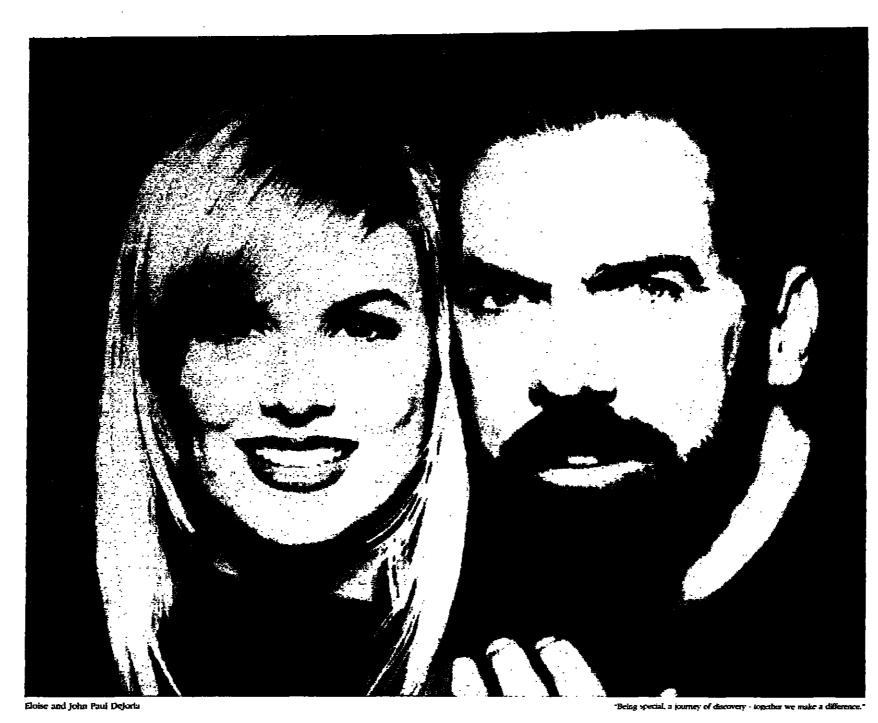
tish Office. The concert promoters. Regular Music of Edinburgh. pointed out that the council had already agreed to let the park, and said it would be perverse to deny permission.

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Two beers on ferry may cost drivers £4,000 French fine

By Jonathan Prynn, transport correspondent

THOUSANDS of British holidaymakers risk being fined or jailed for drink-driving this summer because they are unaware that the French alcohol limit has been cut, the AA

said yesterday. The new limit of 50 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood compares with 80mg in Britain, and is the equivalent of two units of alcohol. For most drivers this means that two glasses of wine or two small bottles of French beer on a Channel ferry will be enough to put them over the limit on the other side.

With three million motorists expected to across the Channel during the peak holiday season, there are fears that Britons will become targets for French police monitoring roads to the ports and the

main holiday resorts. French police can breathalyse drivers at random. Drivers who test positive face fines of up to £4,000 for alcohol levels between 50mg and maximum penalty of two years in prison. Licences are confiscated, and drivers would have to reapply when they return to Britain.

The new limit was introduced last autumn, but motoring organisations believe few British drivers have heard of it. Andrew Howard, head of road safety at the AA, said: There are a lot of people who don't realise the change. Brit-ons who start their holiday with a few drinks on the ferry could easily put themselves over the limit for driving in France. The rule is simple: if you are driving, don't drink any alcohol.

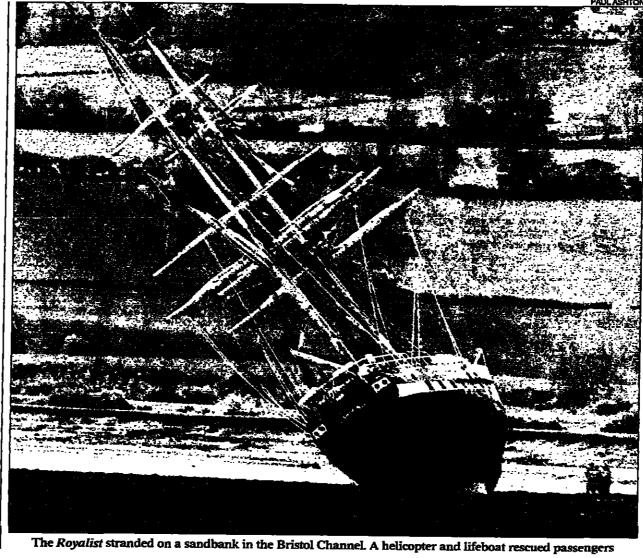
Doug Mathieson, treasurer of the Association of British Travel Operators in France, said operators should remind clients of the new limit when they make their bookings and highlight it documentation.

There have been two cuts in the French drink-driving limit

80mg. Higher levels carry a over the past two years in about road safety. About 8,000 people are killed on French roads each year, more twice as many as in Britain.

> France in line with Belgium, Bulgaria, Greece, Holland, Norway, Portugal and Turkey. However, European Union moves to standardise the 50mg level in all member states are being resisted by Britain, Austria, Denmark, Italy. Luxembourg and Spain. which all have an 80mg ceiling. In Poland and Sweden, 20mg is the maximum. In Finland, Hungary and Roma-nia, driving with any alcohol in the blood is banned.

A European Union spokesman said: "Even at a level of 20mg, symptoms of impaired concentration may be regis-tered. Factors like fatigue, illness, stress and drugs have additional adverse effects and may cause severe concentra-



Employees' day at sea ends on sandbank

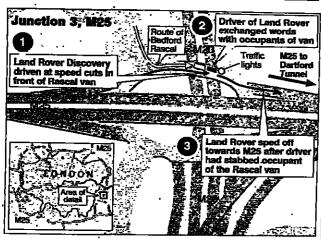
BY RICHARD DUCE

AN OFFICE outing on board a sailing ship ended abruptly yesterday when the vessel ran aground in the Bristol Channel and the 20 workers had to

be rescued. Denmans, an firm in Bristol, had bired the training ship Royalist for £30,000. But its staff, including a pregnant woman, had to be taken to safety in an RAF belicopter and an infla-table lifeboat after it hit a sandbank near Oldbury pow-

er station. No one was hurt. The 13 crew of the vesse owned by the Sea Cadet Association, stayed on board as attempts were made to refloat the ship last night. Also on board was a pilot whose job had been to navigate from Sharpness. Gloucester, to Barry, South

Jerry Rowett, a director of Denmans, which hired the ship to mark the company's fiftieth year, said: "I promised them a day out they would never forget — but this wasn't what I had in mind."



Police hope for video clue to roadside killing

DETECTIVES were examining tape from motorway video cameras yesterday and check-ing the records of 15,000 Land Rovers as they searched for the killer of a motorist during a "road rage" attack.

Stephen Cameron, 2I, an electrician, died from a stab wound to the heart after the altercation off the M25 near Swanley, in Kent. He was a passenger in a Bedford van driven by his girlfriend.

The other motorist, who police said had overtaken the couple at speed, was driving a dark-coloured, L-registration Land Rover Discovery. He was described as white, about 5ft 10in tall, with brown medium-length hair and wearing blue jeans and a dark bomber jacket. Today Mr Cameron's brother will appear at a press conference to make a public appeal to catch the killer. Police will also issue a photofit impression of the wanted

Kent police said 400 people had come forward with information by yesterday after-noon, including some who claimed to have been in similar incidents involving a car matching the description. The murder of Mr Cameron, at 1.22pm on Sunday at traffic lights on a roundabout near junction three of the M25. prompted the RAC to call for road rage" to be taken more seriously by the Government

and police.
The RAC also said motorists convicted of attacks on other drivers should face compulsory bans and be allowed to take the wheel again only after

Police said the murderer could have joined the roundabout from up to six roads but drove off afterwards along the M25 towards the Dartford Tunnel. Tape from cameras on the M25, M20 and other roads was being studied but police said the quality might not be good enough to read the number plate.

Detective Superintendent John Grace said he was satisfied that Mr Cameron did not know his killer but had left his vehicle to remonstrate with him. The other man either produced a knife during the



Cameron: killed by a stab wound to heart

argument or returned to his Land Rover and stabbed Mr Cameron twice. The weapon, described as a narrow-bladed knife, has not been recovered. Mr Grace said: "It was an

extremely violent response to what was a minor incident." He warned other motorists: "Avoid confrontation — it is not worth it."

Mr Cameron's girlfriend was said by police yesterday to be traumatised. It is a question of counselling her rather than questioning her at the moment." a spokeswoman

Mr Cameron lived with his parents, Ken and Antoinette, a hospital worker, in Swanley. Yesterday, they laid flowers at the spot where their son was stabbed. A note on one bunch said: "Steve: 1 will love you, cherish you and be with you forever — Mum.'
The victim's uncle, who

declined to be named, said: "Stephen was a fun-loving lad who enjoyed life. We are a close family and this has shattered.us.

The family moved to a bungalow in Swanley about two years ago from Orping-ton. Stephen Cameron left Kenmal Manor School at the age of 16 to set up his own electrical engineering busi-ness. He was a keen football supporter, who followed Miliwall, and also played golf.

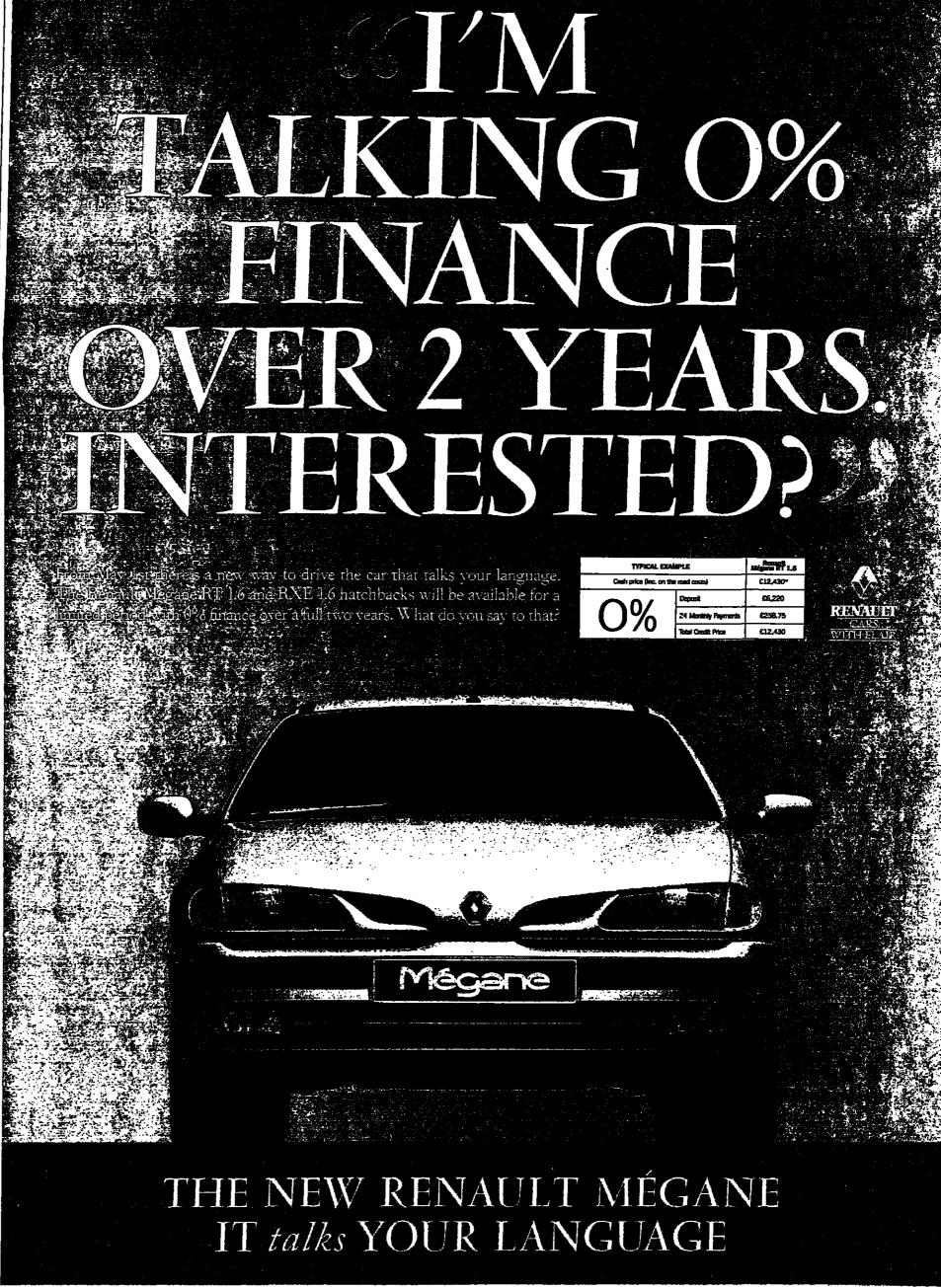
A friend said yesterday: "He would always stick up for his mates - he was the type to protect his girlfriend but he was not the argumentative type. He was more into having

CORRECTIONS

A report (May I) wrongly suggested that Cheltenham Conservative Club had closed the premises which it owns in the town's Vittoria Walk. It has not, but Cheltenham Conservative Association, which occupied rooms at the club.

has moved to larger premises. We apologise for the

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Underneath the arches: the best London address

By Marcus Binney and Alan Hamilton

MARBLE ARCH, one of the large chamber spanning the tion, the Carrara marble of the best-known landmarks in London, may soon be available to rent after a £100.000 refurbishment.

The Department of National Heritage is willing to consider applications for using the tiny police station that once occupied the arch at the end of Oxford Street. "It's government policy that historic buildings should have a sympathetic use whenever possible," a spokesman said. One possibility is an exhibition gallery at the top of the

So far the only potential tenant is a canny property developer seeking to turn the arch into an office. The two sides of the arch contain narrow twisting staircases, barely 2ft wide, which lead to small rooms with brick vaulted ceilings - an early form of fireproofing — and Regency

The rooms are lit by portholes in the flanks of the arch.

Marble Arch two years ago: badly needing a clean.

Below, the rooms soon to be available to rent

width of the arch, which also has a fireplace. Benches around the walls were used by parks police when they assembled on ceremonial occasions. The only natural lighting comes from skylights.

In the centre is a large table which must have been constructed within the arch because it is too large to have come up the stairs. Marble Arch has electricity and running water and is connected to mains sewerage. Restorers have discovered that the magnificent 20ft gates within the arch are not cast iron, as had been thought, but solid bronze and as richly detailed as the gates of a great palace or cathedral.

The police station inside the arch was established in 1886 as a reporting centre, where policemen on the beat checked in with the station in the days before radios. Later it was used for normal police duties but it has not been used since the early 1970s. After restoraarch has emerged as a brilliant white, veined with grey, with virtually no staining or discoloration. The 30ft columns are made of single shafts of marble. John Rushworth, the site manager, said: "You could not

pick a worse site for the arch. We experimented with 28 methods of cleaning before choosing a very low-pressure form of sandblasting. With marble, unlike stone, you cannot simply wash the surface with water. It just pushes decay further into the The most serious erosion

has taken place on the carved acanthus leaves of the Corin-thian capitals, which the contractors are urgently seeking to treat before the scaffolding comes down at the end of May. A system of thin, barely visible stainless steel wire has been put on flat ledges to discourage pigeons from roosting.

Marble Arch is one of

London's mistakes. Designed by John Nash in 1827 as the ceremonial entrance to Buckingham Palace, which he remodelled on a grand scale for George IV, it was a magnificent and fitting memorial to the recently concluded Napoleonic Wars. But it was too narrow to allow passage of the Gold State Coach, which carries British sovereigns to their Coronations.

Modelled on the Arch of Constantine in the Forum of ancient Rome, Nash's creation was intended to eclipse Napoleon's triumphal Arc du Car-rousel in front of the Louvre. It was built of marble to contrast with the warm Bath stone of the rest of the palace, but it was an unhappy choice: the stone, quarried at Seravezza in Italy, has suffered from the British climate and London pollution, and is now a mass f hairline cracks.

Marble Arch originally stood at the entrance to Buckingham Palace. When Queen Victoria occupied the palace on her accession in 1837, she found it too small and in due course, with nine children, ordered Prince Al-



Stonemasons at work on the facade of Marble Arch, which has emerged as a brilliant white, with virtually no staining or discoloration

bert to do some hefty rebuilding. The palace frontage was reconstructed to provide more living space, and the redundant arch was moved stone by stone to its present location in

The chosen site was Tyburn Gallows, at the northeast corner of Hyde Park, where executions once attracted Wernbley-sized crowds, and where in more recent times the earnest, the committed and the plain daft have spouted their monologues at Speaker's

Various schemes have been but forward to rescue the marconed arch from its traffic roundabout, one of the busiest in Britain, where it has been cut off from Hyde Park since 1960. Today the arch is used only by royal processions and the Royal Horse Artillery on the ceremonial route to fire a salute in Hyde Park.

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Grant lets Science Museum spread wings

By LIN JENKINS

THE Science Museum in London is to increase its exhibition space by almost a third with a new wing partly funded by lottery cash.

E23 million grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund will allow construction of the £44 million project, announced last August, to begin in the autumn. The wing, to be built behind the museum in Exhibition Road, South

cine and technology. At present there is room to display only about 15 per cent of the collections.

The wing will include a permanent display, called Making of the Modern World, illustrating the role in society of science, technology and industry during the past 200 years. Interactive displays will cover molecular genetics, biotechnology, brain science and information technology. The four-storey wing will also have a film theatre

contemporary science, media and scientific garden. The award is the first to be made to the sciences and enables work to start because £15 million had already been donated by the Wellcome

Sir Neil Cossons, director of the museum, said the presentation of contemporary science and technology was the inspiration for the museum when it was founded in 1857 with proceeds from the Great Exhibition. "The exponential growth of science and technol-ogy in the late 20th century

has made our responsibilities even more challenging," he said. The grant is one of 35 totalling £52 million announced today. A £348,000 grant will go towards a workshop and visitor welcome point at Iona Abbey on the island of Mull.

About £42,000 has been given to renovate the Ardnamurchan lighthouse in Inverness, built in 1846 on the most westerly point of the British mainland. Canvey Island in Essex will receive £15,300 for

Historic house faces compulsory sale

London's finest 18th-century houses are to be ordered to sell it to English Heritage after neglecting to carry out vital repairs (Lin Jenkins

purchase Chandos House follows the owners' ment to carry out repairs third Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, has been empty for five years. It featured in the film of the Jane Austen novel Sense and Sensibility. Fairgate Investments had

said it would meet the terms of a notice and begin work on dry rot after Easter, but failed to do so. according to English Heritage. The company is understood to have bought the house for £6 million during the property boom and to be unwilling to sell for less.

English Heritage declined prepared to offer before selling the house to an owner willing to meet the £400,000 bill for treating the dry rot and repairing the roof and windows, and £500.000 replacing four stolen Adam fireplaces. Fairgate is suing a security company over the theft.



Chandos House: owners failed to carry out repairs

Cambridge library bars the mobile phone pests

By Alan Hamilton

MOBILE phones have been banned from use at Cambridge University's main library, after complaints about readers. It is the latest of a growing list of institutions to try to curb a back-ground noise of bleeps, war-bles and unwanted, one-sided

conversation. Notices have gone up asking library's users to switch off their phones while on the premises. Roy Welbourn, the university's deputy librarian, said: The corridors were being used more and more kiosk, and I have had reports of lengthy and trivial conver-sations taking place in the

reading room itself.
"This is not a Luddite response, merely a response to complaints from people wanting to study in a reasonably quiet atmosphere.'

The University Library is used by large numbers of postgraduate researchers, and by scholars from all over the world. At Oxford, the Bodleian Library already bans mobile phones and personal stereos after experiencing similar problems.

Earlier this year the newly privatised Great Western Railway announced its intention to restrict mobile telephonists to designated carriages. But the Savoy Hotel in London, which tried to ban mobile phones from many of its public areas last year, decided it was fighting a losing battle. Warbling at the Savoy is once again

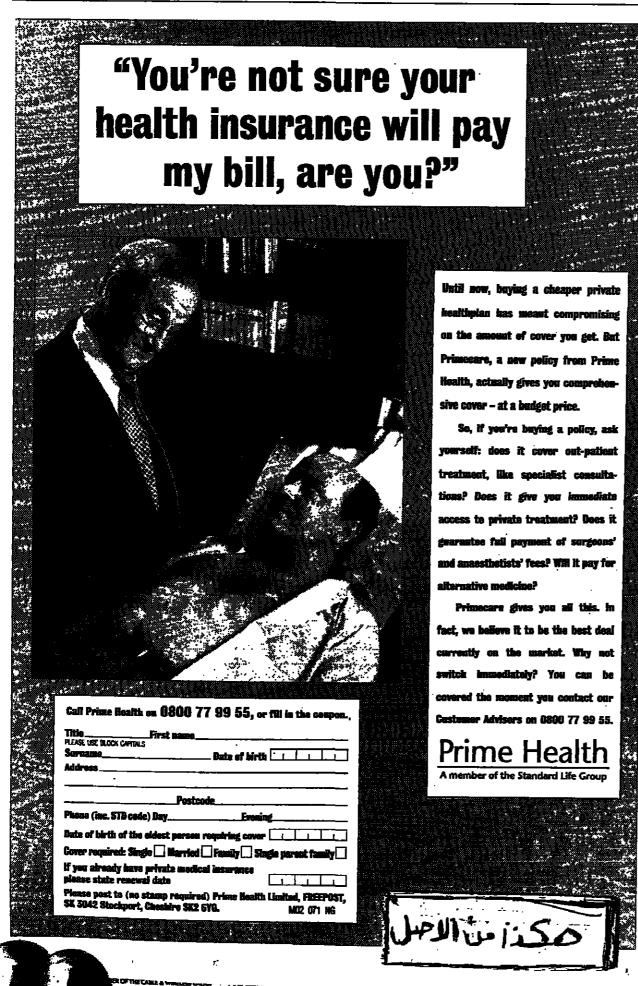
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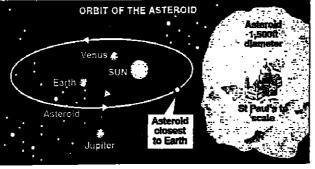
By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

AN ASTEROID that narrowly missed Earth on Sunday was big enough to have done huge damage had it achieved

a direct hit. Thousands of square miles would have been ruined if it had struck land, or a tidal wave created if it landed in the sea. Yet it was detected only four days before it passed by 280,000 miles away, or roughly the distance

to the Moon. Astronomers believe there are thousands of undetected that of the Earth. A search in agency Nasa found four new ones in just 12 weeks. The latest Earth-skimmer was found by two young Ameriastronomers. Since searches began in recent years, only five objects have passed closer to the Earth than this one, and none was

anything like as large. The new asteroid, named 1996 JAI, is estimated to be about 1,000 to 1,500 feet in diameter. This is ten times as large as the objects that created Meteor Crater in Arizona 50,000 years ago, and laid waste thousands of acres of Siberian forest in 1908. Tim



Spahr, a graduate student at the University of Florida, who discovered the asteroid, said: This asteroid wouldn't destroy civilisation if it hit Earth. but it would sure mess things up." He was working with

Carl Hergenrother at the University of Arizona's 16inch telescope in the Santa Catalina mountains north of Tucson, surveying the sky and taking photographs. The image showing 1996 JAI was

taken last Monday, but not outdated equipment. Unlike other searchers, who point developed until Wednesday. when the object was noticed. their telescope along the plane Dr Duncan Steel of the of the solar system - the University of Adelaide, an ecliptic - they look 35 degrees above the plane. astronomer who specialises in

We were told when we the impacts of comets and asteroids, estimates that 1996 started this project that we would never find anything JAI could have devastated an interesting," Mr Hergen-rother said. "But this object area of 100,000 miles square miles if it hit land, or created a would not have been found if wave 50 to 100 metres high if we had been looking along its impact was in the oceans. The object was seen only the ecliptic like everyone else."

The orbit of 1996 JAI is now days before its closest approach. If it had been on a being calculated, and it appcollision course, we would not ears to visit Earth about every have had time to do much four years. Attempts will now about it," he said. The discovbe made to work out whether erers of 1996 JAI have been it will come any closer. Searching for objects on searching since 1992, using

collision course with the Earth, once deemed the province of cranks, has become serious in recent years. In March a major search began. funded by Nasa and using a 39-inch US Air Force telescope in Hawaii, attached to a computer system that auto-

matically sifts the images. In its first 12-day run the Near-Earth Asteroid Tracking System (Neat) detected more than 2,400 objects in various orbits, half of which had never been seen before. Among them were four new asteroids ranging in size from 1.8 miles to less than 330ft with orbits that cross the could face a surprise encounter with a large, unseen object," said Dr Eleanor Helin, the project's pricipal investigator.

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Using a more sensitive detector which has just been installed. Neat should be able to detect 50 to 70 Earthcrossers per month, or 600 a year. "That's kind of frightening," Dr Helin said.

The odds that any will hit the Earth in the near future are remote. An event as large as the 1908 impact might be expected every 50 to 100 years. with an object the size of 1996 JA1 impacting only every 1,000 to 10,000 years.

German and Dutch football hooligans look forward to settling old scores at Euro 96

Nazi label obscures two tribes who just want to go to war

WOLFGANG B is a happy man. His team, Cologne, has escaped relegation and in a few weeks he will be having the fight of his life outside a British pub as Germany tries to reach the finals of the European football champion-

ship.
It should be good, "says the 27-year-old mechanic, who has taken kung fu classes for two years. "I've always liked

Wolfgang does not conform to the stereotypes of the muchtrumpeted German invasion force. He is not a neo-Nazi ("can't stand politics"), doesn't have a shaven head ("my girlfriend would not stand for it and he comes from a solid lower middle-class family.

There are, according to Professor Wilhelm Heitmeyer of Bielefeld University, three basic categories of German fans: the consumer-orientated who pick and choose which matches they want to attend; the football-orientated who attend every single match; and the experience-orientated who seek violent adventure in and out of the stadium.

The police broadly agree. They talk of "category C" fans - tough youths - and expect 1.000 of them to be setting out for Britain in a total contingent of perhaps 10,000 or

will be asked today to endorse

a proposal to counter football

hooliganism by promoting fair play and holding get-

European conservatives see

the move, suggested in an ad-

visory report by the Civil Liberties Committee, under

Claudia Roth, a German

Green, as an unworldly at-

tempt to socialise hooligans

rather than crack down with

the law. Sir Jack Stewart-

Clark, a British Conservative

MEP on the committee, said

the idea was fanciful. "Deal-

ing with hooliganism is essen-

tially a matter for the forces of

Many of the recommenda-

tions have been adopted in

Britain well ahead of the Euro

96 championship next month.

expected to be attended by

250,000 foreign fans. These

include segregating rival fans.

law and order.

togethers for rival fans.

troublemakers, but the hardened cliques have formed their own gangs — the Adlerfront (Eagle Front), the Hamburg Ultras, the BFCs from Berlin. Sometimes they have contacts with each other, arranging pitched battles in advance, holding joint Christmas or anniversary parties. In the magazine Fan-Treff, they chronicle their latest en-

with their belts."

European match between Rot-

terdam and Werder Bremen, the Dutch used mobile tele-

phones to tip off comrades

about the German police pres-

ence in Bremen railway sta-

tion. The Dutch pulled the

emergency brakes and made

bicycles, setting fire to a rail-

Both Germany and Holland

have strict data protection

laws however, which makes it

difficult to obtain comprehen-

sive information in advance.

Yet if the troublemakers were

card-carrying neo-Nazis, pass-

ing on relevant information to

the British would present few

linking the far Right with the

current hooligan scene. True,

German fans screamed Heil

Hitler when they rampaged through Vienna in 1994 and

Hitler salutes are quite com-

mon during internationals.

"Nazi symbols have a provoc-

ative role; they break taboos,"

says Professor Volker Rittner,

of the Sports Sociology Insti-

But there is no real evidence

way shed en route.

legal problems.

way on foot, or on stolen

Saturday they occupy Block 38 in the Cologne stadium. Wolfgang B is not a Block 38 man, but he remembers some formidable battles. "One Wednesday we Cologne hools [short for hooligans] beat hell out of some Turkish-origin Cologne hools during an international between Germany

and Turkey. Then, on Satur-

day, we were fighting together

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again against Hamburg." That tribalism, rather than hidden neo-Nazi puppet mastery, is the nature of the German and Dutch thugs. British police should spot them easily: not the obvious skinheads, but relatively harmless-looking youths wearing heavy belts and carrying umbrellas that conceal. later become, weapons,

The established German In Cologne it is easy to supporters' clubs have ban-

ners to monitor crowd move-

ments, substantial numbers

of exit gates, and banning

alcohol and racist material

Opposition from the Euro-

pean People's Party means

that the report will fail to win

adoption or will have to be

offer other suggestions which

may make those familiar with

the British terraces smile,

such as visits by rival clubs to

promote "mutual understand-

awards to teams, individuals

and supporters' clubs for fair

play.
The committee will urge

clubs. national associations.

Uefa and Fifa to fund projects

involving fans and for the EU

to back projects linked with

the 1998 World Cup, to be held

ing". Another proposal is EU

The report is expected to

substantially amended.

from grounds.

MEPs seek to make

fans more friendly

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS

THE European Parliament controlled ticket sales, scan-



Dutch riot police deal with a German supporter. Fans from both nations have a history of organised clashes

But the politics of the Ger-

tute in Cologne, "but the point is not political — it is to get noticed and be mentioned in Monday's newspapers." Analysis of the political attitudes of German lans shows that 20.2 per cent of supporters feel close to the neo-Nazis, 24 per cent have no politics at all and 35 per cent are in sympathy with one of the mainstream democratic parties. There have been explicit connections — the nowbanned Dortmund Borussenfront was politically close to the far Right and had the

potential to cause serious disruption.

man terraces is no longer governed by Left or Right; the division is between those who fight and those who do not. Thomas Schneider, co-ordinator of the so-called Fan Projects (set up to bring fans closer to their clubs in the hope of civilising them), emphasises that there will not be a far Right onslaught from the Germans. The European championship in England will not be invaded by German Nazis," he said. "It is absurd and has been completely exaggerated." One factor may be more

decisive than Herr Schneider and his social workers or snarling police dogs: many German fans are terrifed of their British counterparts. Whoever behaves like a hooligan will be treated accordingly," Herr Schneider said.
"The English are the most fanatical of fans, in both the positive and the negative

Supporters bring Turkish season to a violent close

By John Goodbody, sports news correspondent

FEARS of violence by Turkish football fans at Euro 96 have been raised by the killing of a teenage supporter at the end of

the country's season. Mumin Aydin, a 16-year-old supporter of Trabzonspor, a club on the Black Sea, was shot in the mouth and then run over by a car on Sunday. His uncle, Niyazi Aydin, believed that the death had followed a fight with supporters of Fenerbahce, the new league champions.

The previous week, a
Fenerbahce follower had been

wounded in a knife attack thought to have been carried out by followers of a rival club. Both attacks were in Istanbul. British police were already concerned about potential hooliganism by Turkish fans, who have earned a poor reputation in recent years. When Manchester United arrived for a game against Galatasaray three years ago. they were greeted by jeering fans with placards saying "Welcome to Hell". United supporters were attacked in their hotel by local youths and complained that they were

arrested and deported by the

Turkish police simply for defending themselves.

Turkey will play their three preliminary games in Sheffield and Nottingham after Euro 96 begins on June 8.

Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, yesterday spoke about the potential for disorder at the European championship: "Nobody can give a cast-iron guarantee that there

the possible damage to Jer-

sey's reputation as a finance

centre, and the compounding

Senator Shenton's argument

that a casino has become a

necessary part of the package

of holiday activities that Jersey

must provide if it is to compete

successfully against British

destinations such as Bourne-

He has little truck with

of local social problems.

will be no trouble. That is impossible. But I know that a great deal of work has been done by the police in this country and their colleagues in Europe to plan as effectively as possible."

Mr Howard was speaking during a tour of Newcastle upon Tyne, where he examined a police control room at St James's Park that has 32 cameras to scan the football ground and surrounding streets. There are also five cells, capable of holding up to 75 people, underneath the east stand of the Newcastle ground. It is nicknamed "The Pink Palace" because of the colour it is painted, which is supposed to have a calming effect on supporters who have

nos are hard gambling - you

can lose an enormous amount

of money very quickly. The UK is deregulating its casinos

and restrictions are being

reduced as time goes on. That

would be bound to happen in

Jersey if a casino was estab-

Field, who represents the evangelical Jersey Commun-

ity Church, agrees: "I am

concerned about all forms of

gambling. I recognise that

some are frivilous but I also recognise how readily some people are susceptible to a

harmless flutter becoming an

Fellow campaigner Michael

lished here."

Man to be questioned on wartime killings

Stanisław Chzranowski, who settled in Telford, Shropshire, after the war, is to be questioned about the murder of 50 Jews and partisans in Belorussia in 1941.

Mr Chzranowski, 74, who was a member of the civilian police force at the time, has already been questioned by Scotland Yard over his alleged role in the killings outside the town of Slonin. shortly after the Nazi occupation began. According to a BBC report, the inquiry began after his stepson John Kingston contacted police.

Electric muggers

A woman aged 75 and her tric shocks when they were robbed of £10 by two men armed with stun guns on a late-night train near Sandwich, Kent. Last night a man was helping police with

Campus choice

Exeter University's new £80 million campus in Cornwall will be at Penzance. The 120-acre site was chosen in preference to Falmouth, Newquay and Redruth. It is hoped that the building will assure the future of the town's rail service.

Epilepsy advice

A booklet providing information and advice for women launched. Funded by the Department of Health on behalf of the Joint Epilepsy Council. it was produced to mark National Epilepsy Week, which this year focuses on women.

Wheels of fortune

Steering wheels with airbags, costing up to £1,000 to replace, have become the favoured target for car thieves in Sheffield. A police spokes man said: "Car radios were once the main target but many now have built-in codes and are not as popular."

Gymkhana death

A 17-year-old rider was killed when her horse broke its back during a jump and rolled on top of her. Emma Wyton, from Alnwick, Northumberland, died on Saturday during a Pony Club gymkhana near Kelso in the Scottish Borders.

Filipinos held

Three people have been detained by police over the killing of Linda Vockins in the Philippines. Miss Vockins, 35, from Berkshire, was beaten to death on May !] while on holiday in Puerto Galera. Four other suspects are being sought.

Scene stealers

Scenes from a new series of BBCl's Last of the Summer Wine may have to be reshot after a sound tape and recording equipment were sto-len from the film crew's Land Rover. Masked thieves were seen breaking into the vehicle in Shepley, West Yorkshire.

Life for wife killer

A taxi driver who strangled his eight-months pregnant wife, dismembering and burning her body before scattering the remains, was jailed for life at Preston Crown Court. Javed Iqbal, 26, of Burnley, admitted murdering Shaheeda Bi.

BR crash charges

The British Railways Board has been charged with breaching safety laws after a crash between two trains last September. No one was hurt when an empty train was struck by a train carrying 20 passengers near Wood Street station, east London.

Morals fight money for winning hand on island casino abuse and money-laundering,

By PHILIP JEUNE

JERSEY is playing for high stakes over plans for the island's first casino. In one of the most divisive disputes for a generation, the community has been split by a moral dilemma that pits strongly held family values against the need to compete with rival holiday locations.

The head of Jersey's tourist authority, Senator Dick Shenton, has lodged a private member's Bill in the island's parliament seeking to estab-lish a casino. He said: "Whether we like it or not, the world is changing and if Jersey wishes to remain competitive, it must adapt."

Mr Shenton, a committed Roman Catholic, has visited ten British casinos as part of his research and believes that the States of Jersey answered

ago when they allowed book-makers to operate on the island. Since then, they have also set up a government-run lottery, with profits from the fortnightly draw going to local charities and subsidising St Helier's huge leisure centre, Fort Regent. The island's population of 84,000 rises to 115,000 in the tourist season.

Heading the opposition will be Senator Reg Jeune, Father of the House, who as president of the policy and resources committee is the island's most powerful politician. A staunch Methodist, he has agreed to submit a critical petition when the matter is debated, probably in next month. In doing so, he will be repeating a task he first carried out 31 years ago when he successfully op-

hotel and casino complex at · posed plans to allow the Hilton Hotel group to build a by 47 votes to 4. The Methodist Church's so-



Senator Dick Shenton has lodged a private member's Bill to establish a casino

Fort Regent by presenting a people. A second proposal, brought in 1984, was deleated

cial responsibility committee instigated the current petition. Its secretary, the Rev Henry Le Ruez, says he has been heartened by the response from islanders of all ages and all walks of life. "We just felt

we had to do something." he said. Their opposition is based on five points: the effect a casino would have on Jersey's image, the type of people it might attract, the possible

mouth and Southampton and nearby French resorts, such as St-Malo and Dinard. "Why has Jersey got to be like everywhere else?" he asked. "It's uniqueness is what

has made it so popular." Observers outside the island might consider it odd that a government which permits bookmakers to operate and which runs its own lottery (established 28 years before

addiction. "We could mount some form of protest against betting shops but we have to be practical. A casino, however, would be a significant escalation of the whole gambling scene in Jersey."

Britain's) should still ban casilinks with drug and alcohol nos. However, Mr Le Ruez

Labour is forced to reconsider 'tartan tax' plan

By JILL SHERMAN, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Labour leadership is considering dropping plans for a Scottish Parliament to have tax-raising powers.

George Robertson, the Shadow Scottish Secretary, is understood to have drawn up four different options to try to counter the "tartan tax" campaign mounted by the Tories. One proposal is to postpone the tax-raising powers for four years, which would be a

controversial policy reversal. Under Labour's present plans a Scottish Parliament would have powers to raise or lower the basic rate of tax by 3p. Tony Blair, however, has become increasingly con-cerned about the effectiveness of the Tory campaign, which is being led by Michael Forsyth. the Scottish Secretary.

question

on want

Mr Blair has already floated the idea that Labour would not use its tax-varying powers during the first four-year term of a Scottish parliament. But some of his colleagues are now pressing him to go further and opt for a parliament without such powers, at least in the short term.

One option being studied by the Scottish Labour Party is to have no tax-raising powers for a fixed period. Legislation



Robertson: trying to counter Tory campaign

would be drafted giving the all along made it clear that a Scottish parliament an automatic right to vary taxes after this period - probably the first four-year term. This would delay the chance of tax rises specifically for Scotland until at least 2002.

not be equated."

Mr Blair regards the Scot-

tish purliament as one of the

most important parts of Lab-

our policy, which still needs to

be resolved. He is discussing

with colleagues how Labour

can counteract the Tories'

He realises that, despite

reassurances the Labour will

not use the powers, the Tories

will continue to exploit the

issue in the run-up to the

Senior Labour figures argue

would not include tax-

that if the party has made

clear that the Scottish manifes-

raising proposals, the powers

are not necessary, at least in

Mr Blair has promised to

introduce legislation for a

Scottish parliament in the first

year of a Labour government.

Still to be resolved are the

issues of how many Scottish

MPs should sit at Westmin-

ster and what powers they

"tartan tax" campaign.

general election.

the short term.

should have.

Another option is to introduce tax-raising powers but to insist they could be used only with the support of a majority of two thirds, or three quarters, of MPs in the parliament. In effect this would give minority parties the chance to veto tax cuts or tax rises, operating in a similar way to qualified majority voting in Europe.

The other options being studied by Mr Robertson include: the status quo - the Scottish parliament would have tax-varying powers as originally planned; and allowing the parliament tax powers but insisting that parties must announce in their manifestos any intention to use

Last night a spokesman for Mr Blair's office said: "We have no plans to get rid of the tax raising powers of a Scottish Parliament." But he confirmed that the Scottish Labour Party would not use its tax powers in its first term - a move fiercely denied by Mr Blair's office when The Times reported it in March.

He pointed out that Mr Blair had already made clear that any party planning to raise taxes would have to have a mandate from the electorate to do so. "The Labour Party has no plans to stand on a platform of raising taxes," he

Labour sources tried to play down the apparent U-turn. None of the four options diminish Labour's commitment to tax-raising powers, one source said. "But we have



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Michael Meacher: "He will be reading all his articles and speeches in future"

Magazine gaffe puts Meacher on a red alert

By Andrew Pierce, Political Correspondent

MICHAEL MEACHER instructed his officials yesterday not to submit policy articles in his name to the press before he has had chance to read them.

The practice is widespread Westminster and other MPs are now likely to follow his lead. Mr Meacher, Shadow Employment Secretary, took action after the publication of an article in the leftwing magazine Red Pepper in which he unilaterally committed Labour to scrapping the jobseeker's allowance.

He had not seen the offending phrase, which was coined by lan Willmore, his researcher, who wrote the article. Mr Willmore immediately tried to limit the damage by admitting his

Mr Willmore, 37, a Labour councillor in Haringey. s no stranger to controversy. In 1983 he left his job at the Department of Employment after leaking a confidential record of a conversation between Michael Quinlan, the Permanent Secretary, the role of the courts in industrial relations. The leak was discovered when he was working out his notice.

He moved to the trade union movement and in 1988 wrote a speech for Ron Todd, head of the Transport and General Workers' Union, which savaged Neil Kinnock's support for

"yuppie Filofax socialism". Labour moderates pre-sented Mr Willmore, who was educated at Marlborough College and read theology and philosophy at Oriel College, Oxford, with 30 5p pieces as a reward for his socalled treachery. He also had a Filofax.

Mr Willmore, who has worked for Mr Meacher for a year, said that he had read an inaccurate newspaper article declaring that the jobseeker's allowance was dead. 'l had no intention of trying to cause trouble, put Michael at odds with the leadership, or to effect its abolition. I got it wrong. Michael will be reading all his articles

'Genuine debate needed on EMU'

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

GORDON BROWN set out plans yesterday to consult widely in the City and the financial industry over moves towards a single currency.

The Shadow Chancellor emphasised the need for a genuine debate" over monetary union, saying: "We need more evidence on all the potential costs of not ioining.`

His com ients were part of a Labour effort to counter Tory claims that the party is committed to monetary union without giving full consideration to the consequences. He told French employers in Paris that that there were potential drawbacks and "it would be complacent to wish them away".

He made clear, however, that there was no doubt over Britain's continued membership of the EU. "Britain's future is in Europe. We cannot hover half-in and halfout for ever," he said. "We cannot place ourselves halfway between a European future and isolationism."

Labour's consultation move coincided with plans announced by the Bank of England to test opinion on monetary union. Eddie George, the Governor, told MPs yesterday that the Bank ould publish quarterly updates on current opinion.

He put written evidence to Commons Treasury Select Committee in which he outlined further plans to organise regional workshops and discussions for the business community. Mr George, who has outlined his fears about the disadvantages of joining monetary union, told MPs that the financial markets would not necessarily lose by staying out unless people thought that Britain was going to the dogs".

IN PARLIAMENT

YESTERDAY in the Commons: qu

| Hamilton libel law campaign falters

By ALICE THOMSON POLITICAL REPORTER

NEIL HAMILTON'S attempt to change the 17th-century Bill of Rights looks likely to fail after MPs from all parties made their opposition clear vesterday.

This month the Lords overwhelmingly passed an amendment to alter the 300-year-old laws of parliamentary privilege, which prevent an MP being questioned in a court about statements made in the Commons. The amendment was added to the Defamation Bill after a court ruling prevented Mr Hamilton, a former Corporate Affairs Minister, from suing The Guardian over a "cash for questions" allegation. The newspaper's lawyers successfully argued that being unable to question Mr Hamilton on his statements would hamper the de-

fence case. The Lord Chancellor, Lord Mackay of Clashfern, supported the amendment. The Prime Minister also supports it and Tory MPs are to be given a free vote.

But Labour has made it clear that when the Bill is debated in the Commons today they will not support the amendment, which would allow MPs to waive their parliamentary privilege. Paul Boateng, Labour's legal affairs spokesman, said: "It would be a great wrong to make such a significant amendment to the constitution on the back of one man."

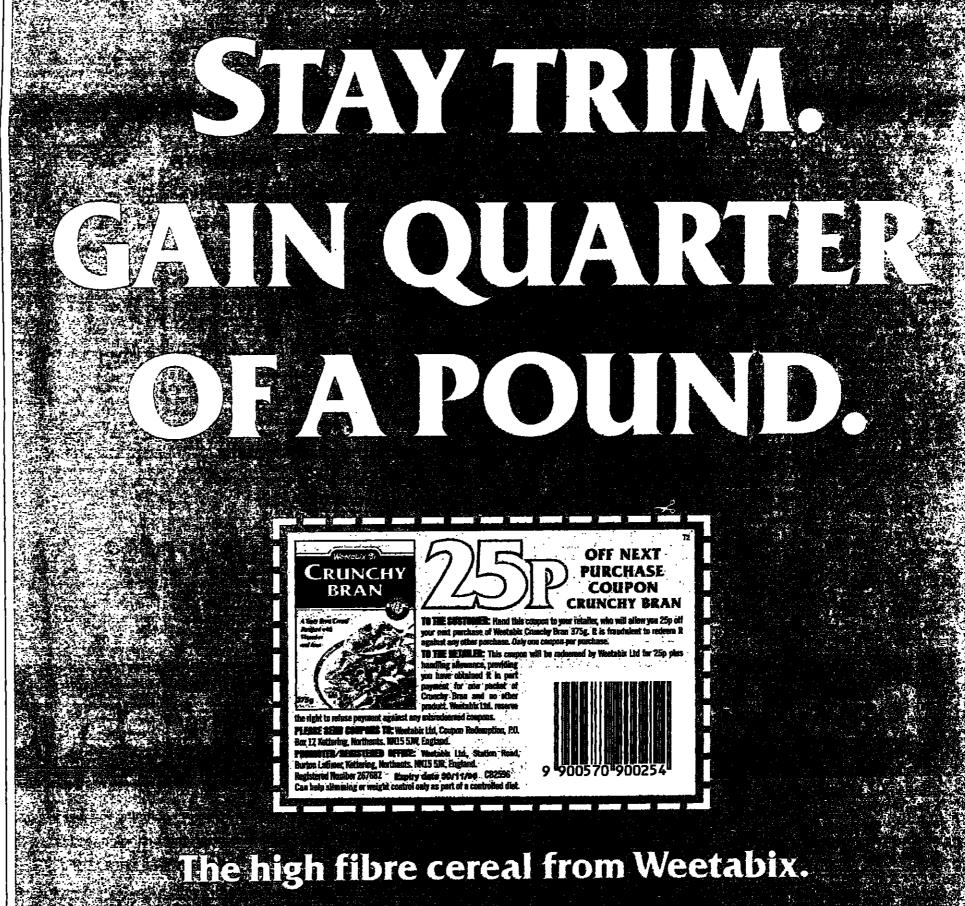
Labour wants the matter to be referred to a joint committee of both Houses.

The Liberal Democrats have also expressed reservations. They want to give the Privilege Committee in each House responsibility for waiving immunity in court proceedings.

Mr Hamilton has led a high-profile campaign to change the Bill of Rights. writing to every peer and MP to explain that he has been denied justice. He said last night: "I am not asking for anything fantastic, just the right for an MP like me to clear their name. MPs are

uniquely hobbled." But at least 12 Tory backbenchers say they will probably oppose the amendment. They are concerned that it will look as though MPs can pick and choose when to use immunity.

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Can help slimming or weight control only as part of a controlled diet.

The most dangerous road race in the world

THERE "ain't many places", as a broad-bottomed whore remarked, where the sheriff happily takes a snapshot as the village madam congratulates a beer-soaked man who has driven through the county at 220mph. Nevada is one of

The Silver State Classic Challenge, hailed as "the most dangerous road race in the world", was held under a rattlesnake sun in the libertarian desertlands north of Las Vegas. Out here they spurn poker and roulette as kids' games. A real gamble is to fill your car with gas, jam a cowboy boot on the accelerator and ride Route 318 for 90 hell-

The race, first run in 1988, encapsulates the carefree ways of the Deep West, where the people dislike being told what to do. In that spirit the dusty mining town of Ely got Nevada's state government to agree to discard traffic laws one day a year on Route 318 and let them "go for it".

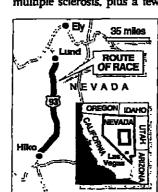
Route 318, a pot-holed, glorious ride through the purplish Egan mountains, was closed for much of last Sunday to northbound traffic. In the other direction, at high velocity, came the racing cars, some of them parachuted roadsters. others little more than normal saloons whose cylinders had been given a polish.

The entrants were mainly middle-aged speed addicts. leathery old gaffers whose bones creaked as they alighted from their vehicles to register for the run. "Race" is a misleading term. It is less of a competitive event than an excuse to drive as fast as one

More than 100 cars screamed down the highway, trailing oil, smoke and shouts

■ Hot on the trail of the biggest burn-up in Vegas, Quentin Letts reports from Ely, Nevada on the lure of Route 318 to speed addicts hell-bent on dicing with death

of excitement. "Biggest burn-up of rubber on the highway in half a century." reckoned Phil Henry, a Vegas businessman and inveterate speeder who invented a gadget that can detect police cars before they detect you. There was a North Carolina college professor, an Arizona businessman, a Pennsylvania woman with multiple sclerosis, plus a few



race on open highway rather than a circular track. The record for the route from Lund to Hiko was set in 1989 by one R. J. Gottleib, who averaged

At the 8am starting line, Fay Teal, the multiple sclerosis sufferer, checked her maps in propane-fuelled Intrepid. "Cocaine-fuelled?" queried an eavesdropper. Roland Moy, a political science don at Boone University, North Carolina, slipped on a pair of driving

wheel of his 160mph 1973 Plymouth Barracuda. "This is more fun than John Stuart Mill," said the lean Mr Moy. Ten minutes later, in one of the most frightening moments of the day, one of the Barracuda's tyres blew at high speed and Mr Moy did well

Barlow White, former May-or of Ely, entered in his little 1972 Opel GT and got her up to a juddering 115mph. Wayne Whytock, from cautious Salt Lake City, took the Tarpaulin off his 1965 Oldsmobile Cutlass and took it past its official maximum of 120mph.

Cowboys marshalling their herds watched as the cars shot past. A couple of vultures feasting on road kill moved out of the way too late, as did a snake which was shredded. If you tried it elsewhere in the US there would be people

shouting about public safety. But this was Nevada. The only problem from the public in eight years was the time a rancher's wife reckoned that, heck, she was going to use the highway to go to church in her 45mph pick-up, even if them racers were on it. She appeared not to notice the numerous Corvettes, Camaros and Porsches which passed

There was also the time a volunteer race official forgot his hat and perhaps had a drink too many. Sheriffs had to restrain him from walking in to the middle of the road to gloves and settled behind the wave his souvenir T-shirt at

A Chevrolet Corvette roars past the finish line in Ely. Nevada. Drivers were welcomed with a buffet and warm beer at one of the local bordellos

about to do can be danger-

ous." At the finish line there

the cars. There were no Terry-Thomas-style rivalries among the drivers, but there have in the past been touches of Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines. Last year a \$65,000 aluminium Dodge Viper caught fire and melted into a puddle, just like a child's

dropped ice cream. The owner tilted back his cap and said

At other times the engine of a 1956 Dodge D500 exploded after 20 minutes, a man ran out of fuel and pushed his car over the finish line, and a Ferarri Testarossa owner hit a

Nevada rock at 190mph. The rock won. Since 1988 there were pickle sandwiches and have been two deaths and horrific crashes. Drivers before Sunday's run were told: "Folks, the gas pedal works both ways. What you are

warm beer, dispensed by the ample employees of the Green Lantern, a race sponsor. The Lantern is one of Ely's three brothels, quite legal

tions about the sporting en-deavour and checked that everyone had a drink. They took such pride in their buffet that one thought, if only momentarily, of the wives and girlfriends at an under Nevada law. Children mingled behind the trestle English cricket match tea.

tern girls asked daffy ques-

Airman jailed for

minor

sex with

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS

A US Air Force enlisted man was found guilty yesterday of having sex with a girl, 14. at an airbase on Okinawa, base officials said.

Senior Airman Anthony T. Williams also was convicted by a court martial of committing indecent acts with a minor, adultery and providing alcohol to minors.

He was jailed for 20 months and reduced in rank, and will receive a bad conduct discharge when his sentence is completed. Williams, whose wife was in court was charged with rape after the victim, the American daughter of a military employee, said he had sex with her while a minor looked on at a party on Kadena Air Base last

In an earlier session of the court martial, which began at Kadena last week, Williams, 24, admitted all charges except rape. Prosecutors agreed yesterday to replace the rape charge, which would have carried a maximum 30 years in prison, with the lesser charge of carnal knowledge of a minor. An Air Force statement said the rape charge was dropped "at the specific request of the victim's parents". It did not

Clinton awaits verdict in Whitewater case

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

AN ANXIOUS White House yesterday awaited a verdict in the first big Whitewater trial that will have an impact on President Clinton's re-election

The Little Rock jury spent a third day weighing evidence against Jim and Susan Mc-Dougal, Mr Clinton's former partners in the Whitewater Development Corporation, and Jim Tucker, his successor as Arkansas Governor.

A guilty verdict would strongly suggest the nine women and three men believed Mr Clinton had lied in his videotaped testimony for the defence, instantly reviving the Whitewater affair as a potent election-year issue for Bob Dole, the Republican presidential candidate.

An acquittal would be a setback for Kenneth Starr, the Whitewater special prosecutor on whose long-running investigation the Republicans have pinned so much hope of regaining the White House.

"The ball is in Ken Starr's court," said Bill Kristol, a top Republican strategist. "The Republicans cannot do it without Starr having real successes. Real convictions and real indictments would make the issue credible to voters. Otherwise it is probably just partisan politics."

Mr Starr's prosecution team has accused the McDougals and Mr Tucker of illegally obtaining \$3 million (£1.9 million) in government-insured loans from both Madison Guaranty, Mr McDougal's failed Arkansas bank, and Capital Management Services, a collapsed investment company owned by David Hale, a former Little Rock

Mr Hale, 57, has admitted defrauding his company. In return for a reduced sentence and federal protection he agreed to tell Mr Starr all he knew of financial corpuption involving Little Rock's political elite during the 1980s and has helped to secure nine minor convictions.

He was the prosecution's star witness in this nine-week trial and claimed Mr Clinton, as Governor, had pressured him to make an illegal \$300,000 loan to Mrs McDougal, \$50,000 of which was used to prop up the troubled Whitewater company. Sam Heuer, Mr McDou-

gal's lawyer, subpoenaed Mr Clinton to appear as a witness. During four hours of questioning at the White House, Mr Clinton denied Mr Hale's story. The defence used this videotaped testimony as the dramatic climax of its case last week, telling the jury it had to choose between the President's word and that of Mr Hale, a convicted criminal.

"In order to buy into David Hale's bill of goods you have to dishelieve the President." Mr Heuer said. "It is humiliating for the President of the United States to answer questions in a court of law but he did it to set the record

George Howard, the trial judge, must decide separately over the next two weeks whether to release the film of Mr Clinton's testimony. The White House is opposed, arguing that the President's political enemies would use it against him in campaign

Gays win case for special rights

Washington: American homosexuals celebrated their biggest victory in a decade yesterday when the Supreme Court ruled as unconstitutional Colorado's attempt to ban laws protecting gays and lesbi-ans from discrimination

(Martin Fletcher writes). Gay-rights activists were thrilled by the ruling, which gave them a powerful weapon

to fight a backlash against Colorado had adopted "an homosexuality. "This is an outstanding moral victory." the Washington-based Hu-man Rights Campaign said.

Six of the Supreme Court's nine justices said Colorado was wrong to identify people by a single trait and deny them any protection, but the three most conservative members dissented strongly.

entirely reasonable provision which does not even disfavour homosexuals in any substantive sense but merely denies them preferential treatment," wrote Antonin Scalia for the

minority. Gay-rights activists had organised a boycott of Colorathat cost it about £26 million in lost tourism.



Republican plan filched by Clinton

Washington: Republican leaders cried foul yesterday after President Clinton outfoxed them by endorsing a radical plan that would force all welfare recipients, including single mothers, to work for their benefits (Ian Brodie writes).

They accused him of making a cynical, election-year feint to the Right by paying lip service to ideas that were at odds with his own less stringent proposals. Behind their protests lav a fear that Mr Clinton was filching one of their core issues - welfare reform - after having twice vetoed their welfare Bills.

The Republicans were especially upset that the "workfare" plan Mr Clinton professed to admire was devised by one of their own. Tommy mpson, Wisconsin's conservative Governor.

The Wisconsin proposal would present all welfare applicants with four choices: a regular job, job-training, comworkshops for those incapable of performing other tasks.

Clash of the titans sours Disney dream team partnership

FROM GILES WHITTELL IN LOS ANGELES

TWO of Hollywood's richest moguls are said to be at loggerheads over how to run the Walt Disney Company, the world's largest entertainment organisation. Michael Eisner, the company chairman, and Michael

Ovitz, his new lieutenant, are in danger of a spectacular falling-out over a string of recent public relations biunders. Sources told the New York Post vesterday that these included a failed bid to lure an American football team to a base near Disnevland.

The partnership came into being nine months ago, when Mr Eisner wooed Mr Ovitz, a family friend, away from the actors' agency he founded to help run the Disney company. The move came in the wake of Disney's sensational \$19-billion (£12.5-billion) buy-out of the ABC television network.

The new team was talented

and experienced, but boasted two famously big egos. The two men appear to have clashed almost at once. The unnamed source told the Post that Mr Eisner had regretted hiring Mr Ovitz "from day one". It was Mr Ovitz, known as a flamboyant deal-maker, who reportedly urged the Seattle Seahawks to move south to a vast stadium being renovated a stone's throw from Disneyland in Los Angeles. Uproar ensued in Seattle, and the move fell through. Mr Eisner is said to have blamed his colleague for the unwel-

come headlines. Mr Ovitz has also publicly tried and failed to hire a top NBC television executive to

rescue ABC as it slips in the ratings wars. He has ruffled feathers in the Disney featurefilm division by signing a multi-film contract with Sean Connery without consulting

the division's top executive. Worst of all, he appointed himself mediator in a very public row between Mr Eisner and Jeffrey Katzenberg, the former Disney Studios chief who resigned in 1994 to start his own studio with Steven Spielberg.

Far from accepting Mr Ovitz's terms, Mr Katzenberg is now suing the Walt Disney Company for \$250 million that he claims is his share of the profits from The Lion King. '[Ovitz] doesn't yet understand you can't run a big company like an agency. another source told the Post.

In the past Mr Eisner has strenuously denied rumours of tension in Disney's corporate suites. He hired Mr Ovitz as his heir apparent in a bid to reassure Wall Street after undergoing quadruple heartbypass surgery two years ago. and he insists they work well

If money helps, they should. Mr Eisner is thought to have earned about \$500 million in his 12 years at Disney. Mr Ovitz's salary is not known but, although he sold his private jet to the company, he insists on reserving it for his OWN use.

There may, however, be another reason for the report-ed feud. Mr Eisner has only two secretaries. Mr Ovitz, according to Vanity Fair magazine, has seven.

Careless campers set **Midwest** ablaze

By GILES WHITTELL

HOT winds and tinder-dry forests created the perfect conditions for a wildfire in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains at the weekend. Careless campers did the rest.

A tent's charred remains were surrounded by a police cordon yesterday as firefighters continued to battle a fast-moving blaze that has destroyed nearly 10,000 acres of Colorado's Pike National Forest since Saturday.

No injuries have been reported, but 12 buildings have been razed and a broad swathe of hill country blackened. This latest early season fire heightens fears that 1996 could prove a more devastating year than usual in the

American Midwest. A drought has left the prairies cracked and parched months before harvest and put firefighters on high alert from the Rockies to California's coastal ranges. Visitors to national parks and forests are being urged to be even more vigilant than usual.

As the Colorado fire raged 30 miles southwest of Denver. another blaze, also blamed on visitors, destroyed 5,800 acres of Arizona's Coconino Nat-

ional Forest, north of Phoenix. Earlier this month, hundreds of thousands of acres of ancient forest in Arizona and New Mexico were burnt at a time of year when melting snow usually keeps mountainsides moist and fire-resistant. One blaze spread to within yards of the Los Alamos National Laboratory, birthplace of the atom bomb.

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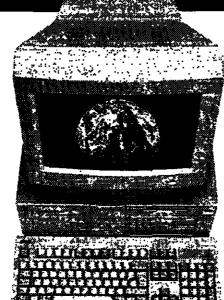
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Likud vows to shift Palestinian funds to Gaza settlers

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

BINYAMIN NETANYAHU, leader of the right-wing Likud Party, promised yesterday to transfer funds earmarked for the embryonic Palestinian Authority to help finance an annual investment in Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip if he wins the May 29 election.

The promise, reported in an interview with Israel Radio, has intensified fears among Western and moderate Arab governments that a Likud victory could mean a collapse in the Middle East peace process and a return to the violence of the 1987-93 intifada. The Likud leader said that in addition to the state funds, totalling a billion shekels (£217 million), he would encourage further settlement through the free market

The latest opinion polls put Shimon Peres, the Labour Prime Minister, 5 percentage points ahead of Mr Netan-



yahu, but pollsters admit that there is a 4 per cent margin of error in their findings. The future shape of the West Bank and Gaza, conquered from Jordan in the 1967 war, is expected to provide a significant element in the 30-minute television debate on Sunday between the two candidates for Prime Minister. The debate could swing the balance among the 12 per cent of the

electorate still undecided. West Bank and Gaza Strip rabbis have thrown their in-

fluence behind Mr Netanyahu with a signed appeal to voters which states: "We pray that |Netanyahu's| election will exalt the honour of Israel and will deepen Jewish religious education and will strengthen our hold on the land."

Mr Netanyahu, in addition to proposing a redirection of funds from the ailing Palestinian economy to Jewish settlements, told the radio that he would not respect any agreement reached by Mr Peres and Yassir Arafat, the Palestinian leader, on the future of Jerusalem.

Likud maintains, despite

our, that secret talks on Jerusalem have begun and that there is a deal in the making.

Flights grounded: The Ben Gurion airport was shut down last night by angry air controlers for three hours after pirate broadcasts threatened safety by interrupting communications with the control tower.

vehement denials from Lab-



President Lee Teng-hui of Taiwan and his wife, Tseng Wen-hui, greet well-wishers yesterday after his swearing in as the first democratically elected Chinese leader

Taiwan pledge on peace visit

By Jonathan Mirsky

LEE TENG-HUI, the President of Taiwan, pledged yesterday to "embark on a journey of peace to mainland in his inaugural address following his landslide election victory in March.

But Mr Lee's vow will ring hollow in Peking because of his defence of Taiwan's de facto independent status and condemnation of the mainland regime. Last night, China's State Council reiterated its opposition to an independent Taiwan. The highest governing body in Peking said it was not against the democratic political development of the Taiwanese people but opposed threats to China's territorial integrity.

Mr Lee, the first democratically elected president in Chinese history, said: 'I am ready to meet the top leadership of the Chinese Communists for a direct exchange of views."

But from the viewpoint of the Chinese Communist Party, many of his phrases were seditious. In emphasising Taiwan's de facto independence, Mr Lee said: "The Republic of China has always been a sovcreign state." That alone will condemn him in Peking. He noted that disputes across the Taiwan Strait "centre around system and lifestyle; they have nothing to do with ethnic or cultural identity. Here, in this country, [a word that raises hackles in Peking] it is totally unnecessary or impossible to adopt the so-called course of Taiwan independence."

Taiwan independence."
These remarks contain the essence of Mr Lee's appeal to Taiwanese nationalism, especially when linked to his statement that reunification must await a democratic sys-

tem on mainland China.

Despite the emphasis on a common ethnic identity, Mr Lee could not resist a barb when he noted that for years the West had regarded the Chinese "as dictatorial, feudalistic, penurious and backward", whereas the Chinese "in Taiwan have created a new land of democracy, wealth, and progress ... marking a crucial departure for the Chinese people to rise again to a new height of

Some day, he added, the mainland might reach the same heights.

Kidnapped Briton 'at Pol Pot base'

FROM TOM WALKER IN SIEM REAP, CAMBODIA

A BRITISH mine clearance expert, missing for two months in the north of Cambodia, may have been moved to Khmer Rouge headquarters south of the Thai border, the probable hideout of Pol Pot, one of the century's worst mass murderers.

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Reports by Toan Chay, the Governor of Siem Reap province, of the Briton's transfer, are being taken seriously by United Nations and government sources.

Mr Toan fought a guerrilla campaign alongside the Khmer Rouge for many years and has excellent knowledge of the Maoist movement. The Khmer Rouge have yet to



Howes: arduous trip through the jungle

make any demand in connection with Chris Howes, a 36year-old former sapper from Bristol, and the prolonged silence is baffling onlookers in Phnom Penh.

"I am very happy to tell you that he has arrived safely at Anlong Veng, the Khmer Rouge headquarters." Mr Toan said. "It has been an arduous trip across the jungle and he could easily have been injured by a mine along the way. It has been a long journey. We are pleased to

hear that he is well."

He said Mr Howes had his own hut in the Anlong Veng compound. His interpreter, Houn Hourth, who was kidnapped at the same time, was being held in separate accommodation with his Khmer Rouge cousin.

Mr Toan said he had received his information from villagers, and that he had failed to make any direct contact with the Khmer Rouge at the compound, which is hidden in dense jungle and scrub and well out of the reach of government forces.

There have been no official sightings of Pol Pot since 1988. Some say he also has a hideout in a Thai villa.

So far nine Cambodians — six soldiers, two policemen and a civilian — have been killed in the search for Mr Howes.

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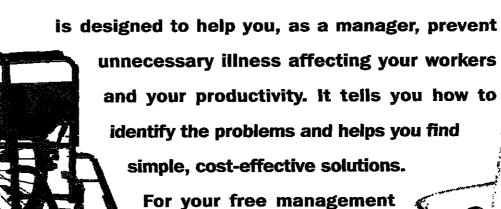


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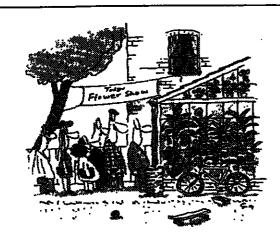
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Saddam yields to UN's terms in oil-for-food deal

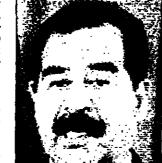
CRIPPLED by years of sanctions, Iraq yesterday accepted Nations "oil-forfood" deal that will allow it to start selling a limited amount of oil on world markets for the first time since the Gulf War.

The agreement was hailed by Western nations which have been trying since 1991 to persuade Baghdad to sell limited quantities of oil under international supervision to raise money and so alleviate the plight of the Iraqi people. Iraq had previously rejected UN terms for a limited sale. insisting that the embargo imposed after its invasion of Kuwait in 1990 be lifted altogether.

Baghdad's decision to accept the deal was a tacit admission that it had given up hope of an early end to the oil embargo because of its failure to satisfy UN demands that it relinquish its weapons of mass destruction.

The accord marks the biggest change in Iraq's relations with the outside world since the Gulf War and is likely to set the pattern of UN oversight of Iraqi oil sales for years to come. Since the accord must be renewed every six months. the Security Council will have the power to turn the tap on

Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, said he was delighted that the resolution,



Saddam: refusal over deal caused suffering

co-sponsored by Britain, would be implemented. President Saddam Hussein's refusal to accept it for more than a vear had caused unnecessary suffering to the Iraqi people, he said. He also gave a warning that life would not return to normal in Iraq until Baghdad fulfilled all its UN obligations. "It is hard to imagine this happening while Saddam remains in power."

Abdul Amir al-Anbari, the chief Iraqi negotiator, hoped that the accord would lead to a gradual lifting of the UN embargo. "It's a long journey, but we have to take the first step," he said. In a sign that Iraq is seeking a rapprochement with Syria, Dr al-Anbari told the UN that Baghdad might eventually try to export some oil through a pipeline across Syria that has not been used for the past two decades.

Four months of negotiations came to a head when Dr al-Anbari walked into a meeting with Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN Secretary-General. carrying a letter of acceptance from Tariq Aziz, Iraq's Deputy Prime Minister.

The memorandum of un-derstanding between Iraq and the UN spelt out stringent terms for the sale of up to \$4 billion (£2.6 billion) worth of oil a year to buy food and medicine. The agreement stipulates that 30 per cent of the oil revenue will go to fund the UN Compensation Commission which is to pay reparations to British and other victims of the Gulf War. A further 13-15 per cent will be spent on aid for Iragi Kurds.

Independent inspection agents will be appointed by Dr Boutros Ghali to verify the arrival of humanitarian supplies in Iraq and their equitable distribution. Britain hopes that the London-based Lloyd's Register will be asked to provide the agents.

In Baghdad last night, Iragis fired guns into the air to celebrate the deal. Hundreds rushed into the streets in joy after state television and radio interrupted programmes to



A child refugee of the Liberian civil war waits for wheat to be distributed at the weekend in Kakata, northeast of the capital, Monrovia, where fierce clashes erupted yesterday and spread as far as the diplomatic enclave

African mutineers face French force

Paris: France ordered troops on to the streets of Bangui, capital of the Central African Republic, yesterday to protect French citizens and stifle a four-day mutiny by the army that has left six people dead and dozens injured (Ben Macintyre writes). Machinegun and rocket fire echoed around the city as mutinous troops, demanding back pay and access to the national armoury.

fought street battles with the guard of President Patasse. Last night French troops blocked the main road to the airport near one of the mutineers' camps as looting broke out.

The rebels have taken at least six government hostages, including the Energy Minister, the Army Chief of Staff and the president of the parliament. In a radio interview from his presidential

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directly in the fighting.

palace. defended by French troops. President Patasse said: French troops

The Foreign Ministry in Paris said French troops had been deployed to protect the 2500 French people living in the country and would not intervene

Bangladesh unrest crushed by loyalists

FROM AHMED FAZL IN DHAKA

THE authorities in Bangladesh crushed an apparent mutiny by commanders and troops loyal to the dismissed army chief yesterday. The state-run radio appealed for calm as the country faced a fresh crisis before next month's general election.

President Biswas and Habibur Rahman, the caretaker Prime Minister, appeared on television to try to allay public fears as loyalist army units manned strategic positions in the capital. Dhaka. Tanks took up position while soldiers were deployed at radio and television

President Biswas accused General Abu Saleh Muhammad Nasim of leading a rebellion against the civilian Government as armoured personnel carriers and tanks rolled out of the army headquarters in north Dhaka.

In his televised address to the nation, the President said that the former army chief had been mobilising his supporters among commanders outside the capital to march troops to Dhaka in an attempt to topple the Government. General Nasim, who was

appointed to lead the 80,000strong army last year, was dismissed after he defied orders to meet the President for talks to end a dispute between Mr Biswas and army headquarters.

Earlier, officials said that troops had also taken control of telecommunications and power stations from civilian authorities in a move that suggested a mutiny.

lanks headed along Dhaka's main avenue to the international airport amid increasing tension in the garrison. An official announcement said General Nasim had been forced to resign. He was replaced by General Mahbubur Rahman, who is known to be a Biswas loyalist.

Royalist win at colony's club

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

THE Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club last night voted to retain its "royal" title and patronage. It is the only significant colonial institution here to keep the word.

At the largest general meeting even its veterans could recall, the club decided to stick to the name it was granted by Queen Victoria in 1894 when she agreed to become patron. The vote was more than

60 per cent in favour of dropping the "royal" but Hong Kong's company ordinances stipulate that for such a change 75 per cent of those voting must

The decision mood of this colony during the last four hundred or so days of British rule. "I have always defended the thin red line," said an overjoyed Ian Dubin, who was wearing a blazer with the badge of a Canadian "regiment". "And tonight we stood by it again." His supporters spoke witheringly of those eager to kowtow to Peking. It was equally obvious

to many other voters who while losing represented the majority taking part in the poll — that "royal" is becoming a liability. The Jockey Club and the Golf Club have voted to drop the title. "It's a joke," Paul Bayfield, a club member

for seven years, said. "Some of these characters are just saying 'sod you'." Philip Bowring, a mem-

ber for 12 years, added: "There are lots of freedoms worth fighting for in Hong Kong, like the Legislative Council and the Bill of Rights. The word royal is definitely not one of them. What you saw tonight was a bunch of caricature yachties voting to keep colonial privilege in a city which is about to stop being a bloody colony.

Mr Dubin, a long-time member of the club, veteran ocean racer and civil servant, defended the royalists. He spoke with contempt of those afraid of offending "our new masters. It's pure fear."

He had previously sug-Jack boxer shorts will be next on the forbidden list. "I entertain Chinese officials at the club," he said. "They love the place. Not one has ever said a word about the name. Royal is part of its charm."

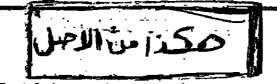
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City fervour sends Railtrack shares steaming ahead

By Jonathan Prynn TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

SHARES in Railtrack were eagerly snapped up by City buyers on the first day of trading in the company stock market as the shares soared peak of 22712 p before falling back to

Some 160 million Railtrack shares had changed hands by the close of trading, accounting for more than 20 per cent of the day's total turnover of 719 million shares.

An estimated 9 per cent of the

665,000 small investors are believed to have "stagged" the issue by selling out on the first day. They received an average of 350 shares each, compared with an average application for 587 shares.

Dealers said that institutions had been building up their weightings in Railtrack, which is valued at around £2.1 billion, close to the qualifying market capitalisation for entry to the FT-SE 100 index.

The fully paid shares were priced at 390p, the top end of the range set by the Government, after the insti-tutional offer ended more than ten times oversubscribed, with £10 billion of City money chasing El billion

The outcome of the first day's trading was seen in the City as a rebuff to Labour, which has at-

tempted to block the sale by undermining investor confidence in the flotation through threats to regulate profits. About three quarters of the former British Rail has now been

sold to the private sector. A spokesman for SBC Warburg. the Government's lead City adviser on the sale, said he was "pretty pleased" with the first day's trading. Labour attacked the premium as proof that Railtrack had been

undervalued. Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary, said: "I am delighted to welcome Railtrack's new shareholders on board and am confident that private sector ownership and manigement will improve Railtrack's efficiency, resulting in benefits to both passengers and shareholders."

In a Commons written reply, Sir George said last night that net proceeds from the sale would be £1.67 billion, with £849 million being received in the current finan-

At Railtrack's central London

headquarters, staff said it had been a normal day apart from celebratory drinks with Bob Horton, the company chairman. "People have got their teletext sets tuned in to the share prices but apart from that it is business as usual," said one Railtrack insider. About 60 per cent of the company's 11,500 staff applied for shares in the offer.

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NHL advance

National Home Loans Group, the centralised mortgage lender, unveiled a 34 per cent advance in first half pre-tax profits, but held out no for those among its 30,000 borrowers still paying a standard rate of 10.65 per cent. Page 26

Buoyant Biotech

British Biotech seemed well on its way to becoming a £2 billion company yesterday after investors pushed up the shares in anticipation of positive clinical results from its most important cancer

yesterday after the institutional offer ended massively oversubscribed. Trading in Railtrack dominated an otherwise quiet day in the above the offer price of 190p to a

Severe cut in OECD growth forecasts

JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT IN PARIS

EUROPEAN growth prospects have been revised down drastically by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, even without taking account of stringent new budget deficitcutting measures aimed at meeting the criteria for a

single currency. Jean-Claude Paye, Secretary-General of the OECD. who is about to step down after 12 years, admitted that continuing efforts to cut deficits to meet the Maastricht treaty convergence criteria could strangle growth to such an extent that deficits could end up higher. But he was still confident that a group of European countries will go ahead with forming a single currency in January 1999.

In spite of the evident threat to growth and expectations of even higher unemployment in Europe, M Paye argued that countries had no choice but to

Germany

EMU legal

challenge

By Anatole Kaletsky

A FORMER Bundesbank director said yesterday he would sue the German

Government to stop European Monetary Union. Wilhelm Nölling, who re-

from

Bundesbank in 1992, said

in London that such a

court challenge could de-

lay monetary union for

Times today, that even the threat of court action

would "destabilise foreign

exchange" markets and

create "severe political

problems" for the plan to

create a single currency in

1999. The court ruled in

1993 that Germany could only join EMU if the

treaty's "convergence crite-

ria" calling for the deficit

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Nölling says "no economic

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be lowered in time.

five years or more. Herr Nolling added, in an article published in The

tired

get their financial houses in order. Otherwise, financial markets would punish governments by imposing higher long-term interest rates, which would further hinder growth. Only six months ago, the

OECD, which starts its annual ministerial meeting here today, was forecasting relatively healthy growth of 2.4 per cent in Germany. That figure has been slashed to 0.5 per cent. For next year, the downward revision is less dramatic - from 27 per cent to 2.4 per cent.

French growth expectations have also been lowered, although these figures are not available yet. Growth overall in industrialised European countries represented by the OECD has been revised downwards to only 1.6 per cent this year, from the 2.6 per cent estimated in December. However, the OECD has stuck with its December forecast of 2.7 per cent growth in 1997.

The forecast is preliminary and only gives individual predictions for the US, Japan and Germany. Figures for the UK will be published next week.

Kumi Shigehara, chief economist of the OECD, said that the latest forecasts take no account of a new fiscal package announced by Helmut Kohl, Germany's Chancellor, which will drain another DM70 billion from its already struggling economy. Nor do they incorporate a pledge by Alain Juppé, the French Prime Minister, of further stringent

spending cuts.

Mr Shigehara said that he would have to take a "more solid" look at the numbers before making a judgment on their impact on growth. This suggests he revise them again

The OECD has also revised its forecast for America and Japan. In the case of the US this partly reflects a change in the way it measures gross domestic product, which effectively takes 0.9 per cent off GDP. The OECD is now forecasting 2.3 per cent growth for the US this year, rather than 2.7 per cent. Taking account of the statistical change, however, this is an upward revision. Japan is expected to grow by 2.2 percent this year, up on the 2 per cent predicted six months ago.

Child labour deal, page 26



BY PAUL DURMAN

BRITISH AIRWAYS, which yesterday reported record annual pre-tax profits of £585 million, is seeking a further £1 billion of efficiencies by the year 2000. Robert Ayling, BA's chief executive, said that the target would be achieved through cost savings, better use of assets and increased revenues, but said

that he could not be more specific. He said: "I'm setting objectives for my colleagues. It's the job of their managers to find the best way, consistent with our objective to improve customer service, to reduce costs."

BA expects to have to make £350 million of efficiency improvements just to keep pace with competitive pressures. Derek Stevens, finance director, said that BA is £200 million a year less profitable than it ought to be.

The British Airline Pilots Association, which yesterday announced plans for a strike ballot, blamed BA's cost-cutting for the company's intransi-

gence over a new pay deal for its 3,100

pilots and flight engineers.

Mr Ayling said BA's pay offer was one-and-a-half times the rate of inflation. Pilots will also each receive £5,000 to £6,000 in BA's £94 million profitsharing payout to staff. Mr Ayling said

that this was a record bonus payment by a British company. BA's 55,000 employees, who already own 4 per cent of its shares, can receive an extra 20 per cent if they take their bonus in shares. Mr Ayling, who refused to comment

owns 24 per cent. BA is unhappy with its progress on cutting labour costs. Setting aside last year's provision for USAir, BA's £585 million profit for the year to March 31 was 29.4 per cent up. Revenues rose by 8.1 per cent, to 17.8 billion. A final dividend of 9.8p lifts the total payout 10.1 per cent, to 13.65p.

on reports that BA is near a deal with

American Airlines, is today due at a

board meeting of USAir, of which BA

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Incoming government may be forced to increase taxes

By Alasdair Murray

LABOUR could find itself forced to raise interest rates and taxes by up to 7p if it wins the next election, a leading City commentator claimed yesterday. Bill Martin, chief economist

at UBS, the broker, predicts that Labour could inherit a surging budget deficit and rising inflation. He also criticises Labour's intention to deliver higher sustainable economic growth through a higher rate of investment and economic stability.

Mr Martin argues that the attempt by Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, to revive the "feel-good" factor through lower interest rates is in danger of getting out of hand". He predicts the recent growth in broad money supply will continue to accelerate over the coming year and that, the longer an election date is delayed, the harder it will be for the new government to resist immediate rate rises. An incoming Labour gov-

ernment is also likely to face a "potentially explosive struc-

tural budget deficit". The UBS report, called Labour Economics, criticises current government forecasts for reducing public borrowing as based on "implausible" as-sumptions about public spending and economic

growth. There has been increasing concern about shortfalls in tax revenues, with most City economists predicting the Government will overshoot its PSBR

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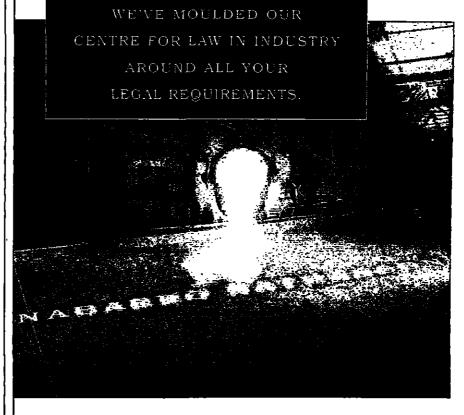
forecast of £22.4 billion. As a result, the next government could face an underlying budget deficit of above 5 per cent by the end of the decade, well above the 3 per cent required by the Maastricht criteria for monetary union.

A future Chancellor would have little choice but to raise taxes or make massive cuts in social spending programmes. Mr Martin concludes: "The achievement of a below-3-percent-of-GDP deficit target might require tax increases or spending cuts on the scale delivered by the Budgets of 1993: perhaps equivalent to 7p on income taxes."

The new government's weak fiscal position and tight money policies are also likely to push the value of sterling upwards, especially if Labour flirts with a revamped European exchangerate mechanism. A strong pound would hit industrial competitiveness and hurt the manu-facturing sector.

Mr Martin, who is also an adviser to MPs on the all-party Treasury Select Committee, forecasts that Labour will set a medium-term growth trend rate of 3 per cent and an inflation target of 2.5 per cent. But he argues that economic stabilty is not enough in itself to guarantee growth. UBS believes that Labour is

unlikely to indulge in "City bashing" and will resist large increases in corporation tax and may well limit the scope of its proposed tightening of dividend



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NABARRO NATHANSON

By PHILIP BASSETT INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE European Commission wants all medium-sized companies to appoint counsellors as part of new measures to combat sexual harrassment at work.

Commission officials have largely completed the drafting of a consultative document which is to be issued to representatives of employers and employees in each member country.

The Commission will not, however, bring forward the measures, included in a consultative document, as a new piece of Europe-wide legislation because some countries - especially Britain — would be expected to oppose

Instead, the Commission will ask the EU's social partners — Europe's main employer and trade union bodies — to negotiate a Europe-wide collective agreement on sexual harrassment at work. That collective agreement will then, under the terms of Maastricht, be

carried forward into new law. This is expected to include a code of practice in which Brussels will set out what it sees as the standards to which employers ought to adhere in handling

sexual harrassment in the workplace. The Commission will also propose the idea that all businesses employing, say, more than 500 people should appoint a senior manager with responsibility for dealing with issues of sexual harrassment within the company.

In a separate move, the Commission expects to bring forward at the end of the year further legal moves on sex discrimination.

After consulting the social partners, the Commission expects to be able to put forward for legislation a draft collective agreement on what is called

the "burden of proof" proposals. These shift the burden of proof in sex discrimination cases, so that employers will be assumed guilty of any

allegation of direct or indirect sexual

Europe tackles sexual harrassment at work discrimination until they can prove to

the contrary.

The Commission is also to issue a new code of practice for employers on equal pay for equal value, under which employees can claim new pay levels if they can successfully show that their work is of equal value to employers as other more highly-paid

Padraig Flynn, the European Social Affairs Commissioner, told an Equal Opportunities Commission conference in London yesterday that he hoped the idea of a code "will succeed where legal procedures have failed to achieve equality in practice".

Railtrack float lifts British Energy hopes

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

PROSPECTS for the Government's next big sell-off - British Energy looked more hopeful after the stockmarket flotation of Railtrack.

The appetite for Railtrack, which started trading yesterday, should offer a degree of optimism to those: organising the sale of Britain's mor e modern nuclear generators amid the gathering pessimism over its likely valuation. Nigel Hawkins, utili ties analyst at Yamaichi, said: "If

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IN PARIS

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negotiations towards a multilate:ral agreement on

investment designed to

bring down barriers to

international investment. US rofficials at the annu-

al meeting of the Organis-

ation, for Economic Co-op-

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starting here today, said

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ment for the establishment

of the working party at the remeeting of the World Trade Organisation in

Singapore in December. Britain had hoped that

the trade and labour stan-

dards question would be

kept away from the WTO

and examined more narrowly by the International

It has consistently opposed examining the question of whether some

developing countries are winning a greater share of world trade by employing

It has argued that

industrialised countries

must compete by liberalis-

ing their own markets, not

penalising others. It is

suspicious that America

and France, which have

pushed the trade and lab-

our standards issue, will

use it as an excuse to

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Realtrack had not gone well, it would heave been unlikely that British Linergy would have got off the starting block. As it is, the signs are

reasonable for a July flotation." British Energy, whose marketing campaign kicks off next Tuesday, will prove a more challenging privatisation than Railtrack because of the emotive nature of nuclear energy and because of the level of debt the company will take with it.

Critics of the sale, including the Labour Party, claim that the sell-off

will form the biggest giveaway to date. Early valuations pitched the company's worth at £2.6 billion, but it is thought that the price could now

fall as low as £1.5 billion. City forecasts that will determine interest and the pricing will focus on the likely price for electricity. Pool prices, the prices of power in the wholesale market, are widely expected to fall to a lower level than calculated by BZW, the brokers advising the Government on the issue. Because nuclear generators

unable to influence pricing.

The flotation will be further dogged by problems over the past year at some British Energy's stations such as Dungeness, Heysham and Hunterston B. BZW has said that the core of some of the stations which have been off-stream with technical problems are as good as new. But the closure of a station would severely affect British Energy's prospects as the company comprises just

eight reactors.

The marketing of British Energy

Howard Spink advertising agency. whose clients include Tesco. Vauxhall and Whitbread.

Its TV. radio and newspaper campaign next week will accompany publication of the prospectus in June. Then, a string of Share Shops in high-street banks and other financial institutions will open to public registrations. Like Railtrack, the Government is planning to save 30 per cent of the shares for public purchase. Mid-July is the sell-off date.

Rolls-Royce joint deal in China

ROLLS-ROYCE and Aviation Industries of China have formed a joint venture to produce aircraft engines (Oliver August writes). The deal is the first to come out of a trade tour of the Far East led by Michael Heseltine, the Deputy Prime Minister.

Based in Xian, the venture will produce components for Rolls-Royce engines, including the 715, which is being considered for Avic's 100-seat regional aircraft. A new plant will eventually employ 600 people and produce \$20 mil-

lion a year in sales.

Gordon Gurr, president of Rolis-Royce China, said: "We have a plan that by the year 2000, the Year of the Dragon. China will be responsible for complete modules." Mr Heseltine said the deal "is an indication of the tremendous industrial potential that exists in the future, to the benefit of both countries".

In November the company



Michael Heseltine at the Forbidden City in Peking yesterday, where British businessmen were promoting trade

National Home Loans lifts profits but fails to cut rates

NATIONAL Home Loans Group, the centralised mortgage lender, yesterday posted pre-tax profits of £8.2 million for the half-year to March 31. an increase of 34 per cent over the first half of the previous vear, and restored the interim dividend at 1.1p a share.

But the group held out

dard rate of 10.65 per cent. The Halifax's standard rate is 7.25 per cent.

Jonathan Perry, chairman of NHL, said its rate was "not remotely outrageous". Mr Perry argued that many borrowers paying this rate would not have been able to get loans elsewhere because they did immediate hope of a rate cut not satisfy traditional lending for those among its 30,000 criteria. Centralised lenders

the housing boom of the late 1980s by offering self-certification mortgages, where bor-rowers vouched for their own

income, or low-start loans, where interest is rolled up. Many borrowers subsequently found themselves in debt as interest rates rose and house More than half of NHL's

30,000 borrowers have been in borrowers still paying a stan-gained market share during arrears at some time and

many are in negative equity. The higher rate represents the higher risk posed by these borrowers, said Mr Perry, and

rebuild the company NHL was forced to withdraw from the mortgage market in 1991 and only re-entered cial restructuring.

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through Homeloans Direct.

its mortgage lending

HLD is concentrating on niche markets, such as loans to housing associations and to borrowers looking to rent out properties as investments. It has to date received 3.775 applications totalling and applications in progress total 2,141, with a value of 598 million.

The group says it is still making losses on the National Home Loans Corporation mortgage book, which contains the group's loss-making loans, although provisions for bad debts in the six months to March 1996 were £4.2 million. compared with £6.5 million in the same period of last year. A total of 342 homes were repossessed in the first six months to March this year, only slightly down on the same period of 1995.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Amec's chairman gets 63% pay rise

SIR Alan Cockshaw, chairman of Amec, enjoyed a 63 per cent rise in his total pay package, to £428,000, thanks to the building company's successful defence against a takeover bid from Kvaerner. Sir Alan received a total bonus of £126,340, including an £85,000 bonus for acting as both chairman and chief executive of Amec before the appoint ment of Peter Mason as chief executive at the beginning of this year. He also received a 9 per cent rise in basic pay, to £260,000, and a 14 per cent increase in pension contributions, to £31,200.

Sir Alan's pay increase came in spite of the company suffering a 20.5 per cent decline in its full-year pre-tax profits, to £15.9 million, in 1995, after incurring £4 million in costs from the takeover battle, in which he led the defence to Kvaerner's £360 million bid. Amec shares were marooned as low as 56p before Kvaerner made its offer, which was pitched at 100p a share. Amec shares closed last night unchanged, at 114p.

Cheque transactions

BANK customers could benefit from a faster and more efficient service as a result of the new cheque-handling system proposed by the Government yesterday. An order laid before Parliament removes "unnecessary and outdated" restrictions on banks. Paperless settlement of cheques - or "truncation" - is already commonplace in many European countries. Under the new system, there would be no need to send cheques back to the branch of the customer who issued

Oil prices bounce back

OIL prices rebounded yesterday after an early slide, taking Iraq's acceptance of a UN oil-for-food plan in their stride, Benchmark Brent blend futures for July delivery shed 79 cents, to touch \$16.75 a barrel on the International Petroleum Exchange, before recovering to \$17.72 as traders awaited evidence of a cast-iron deal. Jim Placke, of Cambridge Energy Research Associates, said: "What we're seeing is classic market behaviour . . . to discount future events and also to over-react to news, so we may already have seen much of the impact."

Homes 'in short supply'

A SHORTAGE of homes for sale is continuing to hold back the recovery in the housing market, estate agents said vesterday. Prospective buyers were out in force in April because of fiercely competitive mortgage rates and renewed consumer confidence, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors said after its monthly survey of the housing market. However, too many vendors were waiting for prices, which continued to edge up, to rise more steeply before putting their homes on the market, creating a shortfall of properties, it said.

SIB supervision head

THE Securities and Investments Board, the City watchdog, has seconded David Pritchard, group treasurer of Hill Samuel since 1994 and a senior Lloyds TSB executive, as head of supervision of standards in its markets and exchanges division for two years. It supervises and sets standards for seven recognised investment exchanges, the London Clearing House and a number of market service providers. It expects to supervise Crest when it starts operations in July, and is also the focal point for SIB's international work.

Lauder's telecoms aim

group, yesterday launched a telecommunications company. called RSL Com Europe, and announced buying the German and French operations of Sprint, the third-largest US longdistance carrier. Sprint had to sell them to join Global One, a venture with France Telecom and Deutsche Telekom. RSL is seeking custom from small and medium-sized businesses in Britain and continental Europe, where it aims to build a base before deregulation in 1998. Scent of success, page 29

New Jefferson chief

JEFFERSON SMURFIT GROUP, the paper and packaging company based in Dublin, has appointed a new chairman and chief executive for its Irish and British operations. Dublin-born Peter Webster, who has been with the group for 18 years and was Smurfit Ireland/UK's regional operations director, succeeds Patrick Wright, who, earlier this month, was made president and chief operations officer of the group. In April, the Jefferson Smurfit Group announced record pretax profits of Ir £420 million for its global operations.

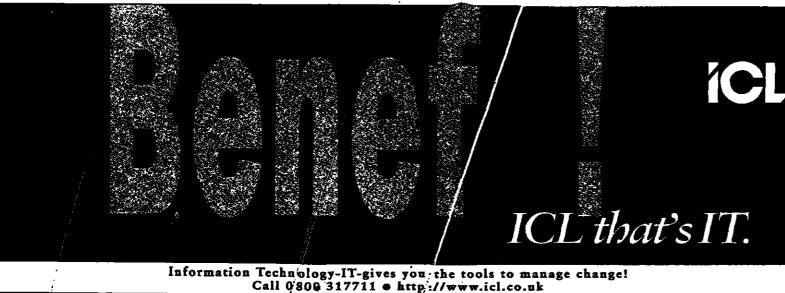
US Can turns to Wales

US CAN, the American aerosol manufacturer, is establishing a £30 million, 200,000 sq ft production factory in Merthyr Tydfil, South Wales. This is the company's first investment in Europe and it will create 120 jobs when production begins next year. US Can, which has 30 plants across North America, is a leading supplier of aerosols in the US. producing 50 per cent of all aerosol cans sold there. It is keen to tap the £3.5 billion European market.

Aberdeen Trust boost

ABERDEEN TRUST, the investment manager, has lifted its interim dividend 42.8 per cent to 1p, after a 20 per cent profits rise to £3.38 million in the six months to the end of March. The dividend will be paid on July 17. Funds under management doubled to £2.81 billion year-on-year, benefiting from improved global stock markets and a stronger US dollar. The trust has entered into an alliance with Phoenix Home Life of the US, lifting its balance sheet by \$37.5 million.

ever, the US seems to be Canadians agree ERF takeover throwing its weight behind efforts to tie up a "state of the art agreement" on international investment in time ERF Holdings, Britain's last remaining million. The offer also carries a full share ers and should secure a dynamic future manufacturer of heavy trucks, seems set alternative and a loan note alternative... for next year's OECD meetfor ERF and its employees. to slip into overseas ownership with an ERF, which employs 990, has nearly 10 ERF's pre-tax profits fell to £1.82 million The drive to lower huragreed bid from Western Star Trucks, the per cent of the UK heavy truck market. in the year to March 30, from £2.28 million Peter Foden, ERF's chairman and chief dles to international in-Canadian group (Philip Pangalos writes). last time. Turnover from continuing Western Star already controls about 524 per cent cent of ERF's equity and its executive, said: "We will still be a British vestment is a matter that operations rose by 8 per cent, to £217.6 the European Union has manufacturer, and jobs will probably be million (£202.4 million). A second interim more secure in the long ter m. The proposal is attractive for ERF stareholdrecommended cash offer values each ERF dividend of 2.5p makes a 4.5p total share at 275p and the whole group at £27.4 payout. ERF shares rose 7p, to 280p.



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The Prudent line on perks

□ WHAT fun to see the mighty and normally po-faced Prudential hoist with its own petard. Whereas the country's biggest institutional investor normally fights in the front rank in any assault on bonuses that overly reward management, the Pru has instead been "outed" by PIRC, the pensions pressure group that is equally hawkish on executive pay, for planning to be too generous to its executives.

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Next Wednesday shareholders in the Pru will vote on the new bomus scheme, which pays out to executives if the company's performance is less than average. That is one way of looking at it; the scheme kicks in if the institution manages to scrape into 59th position among FT-SE 100 stocks. Executives must be incentivised with free shares for a mediocre performance, or they

might go elsewhere.
This is the hawkish view. The Pru is one of more than a dozen companies, several of them household names, that have been identified by PIRC as planning overly generous bo-nuses for executives. The latter has drawn up five guidelines that bonus schemes should obey. First, they should be long-term, over five years ideally, rather than offering executives an immediate smash-and-grab raid for what might prove to be an unsustainable performance.

Second, they should require some capital commitment from the executives, rather than have shares awarded free. They should be transparent, easily locatable within the accounts and comprehensible to the ordinary investor. The comparators against which performance is measured should be real ones. taking in companies in the same sector for example rather than broad generalisations such as the FT-SE 100 or the market as a

whole. Finally, the scheme should go from the top to the bottom of the company.

Judged against these criteria, the Pru's scheme falls down hadly. But it is possible to be a little more analytical, and add a sixth. This is that bonus schemes should be so constructed to weight as much of the payout as possible at the top end of the performance curve. The Pru pays out relatively modestly at the bottom end, if the shares come in at 59th position or a little above: only substantial outperformance brings in the re-wards. By contrast, a scheme that paid out massively if the shares ended in 50th position or

only a little higher would be a true reward for mediocrity. As important is the extent that total remuneration is split between straight salary and bonus
— is the latter the jam on top of an already generous salary?

A further irony is that the Pru's plans will probably be voted in next Wednesday, through the usual institutional inertia. With some notable exceptions, fund managers on good six-figure salaries tend to be muted in their their own pay and perks.

How to tackle insider dealers

faces, and the police know them well. The difficulty is in making PENNINGTON



names, fringe operators and small regional brokers, tend to be involved in case after case. The Stock Exchange knows well who they are. The way that the law is drafted makes it almost impossible to translate suspicion into criminal charges and

uspicious trading were identified, but just 43 were passed on to the prosecuting authorities. The - computers, to you and me - to correlate share price movements and identify dubious trading patterns. Without wholesale redrafting of the law, the effect is likely to be more suspicion but not many more prosecutions.

The problem with insider trading law is that it requires positive proof of intention to commit the rime, rather than merely allowing that intention to be deduced from the circumstances. Brokers buy and sell shares all the time. and any purchase, however fortuitous, can be passed off as the normal course of business.

The exchange's other planned innovation, the imposition of temporary halts on dealing after sharp and unexplained share price movements, is the sort of power that any well-equipped stock market should possess. It is, however, doubtful how effective it would be against insider trading when the rogue trader has taken a position well before the news starts to leak. It might even be counter-productive, locking in innocent investors who should rightly have the chance to

sell if a price starts to tumble. The only effective counter to insider trading is to make it a civil offence, so lowering the burden of proof required, and one carrying heavy financial penalties. This is how they do things on Wall Street, and it is the preference of both the exchange and the Securities and Investments Board.

A one-way rail track

 \square BY the end of the first day's dealing in Railtrack more than 10 per cent of private investors going through one share shop had stagged the issue and taken their profit. More than one investor in ten, therefore, has not thought it worthwhile to hang around for the generous 18 per cent return that has been cyni-cally provided for the shares over the next nine months.

How many of the remaining 90 per cent will still be in after that. rather than taking the easy way out once that return has been gathered in? And how, as min-isters and advisers pose smiling for the inevitable photo-opportunities celebrating the "success" of the penultimate privatisation, can this be expected to widen and

deepen share ownership?
Clare Short may be becoming increasingly incoherent on the

subject, as her enemies within New Labour claim, but she has got one thing right. If you price something cheaply enough, it will sell. You attract the public with a built-in discount to full value, and this interest from the stags keeps the City short of the shares, ensuring a scramble for them once trading starts — and a profit for those same stags. The City is buying because it is prepared to take the risk of tighter regulation under Labour. Wait for a further rush of private selling once the interim dividend has been paid next February.

French connection

□ JEAN-CLAUDE PAYE may have been a dutiful servant of the OECD for the past 12 years but he is also a scion of the French political establishment. He has much in common with Michel Camdessus, head of the IMF. Both preside over organisations whose ambit goes far beyond Europe. Both purport to publish independent economic forecasts. Both have had to admit that the drive towards Maastricht is destroying growth. Ask either if the single currency can go ahead and they cannot bring them-selves to express their real doubts. Loyalty is an admirable virtue, but are we really getting the analysis we deserve on the future of Europe?

Cancer drug speculation sees British Biotech soar

BY ERIC REGULY

BRITISH BIOTECH, the darling of the high-flying biotechnology sector, seemed well on its way to becoming a £2 billion company yesterday after investors pushed up the shares in anticipation of posi-tive clinical results from its most important cancer drug. The City believes that Brit-

ish Biotech, whose finance director is James Noble, will probably announce this morn ing that the latest trials of Marimastat have been strong enough to warrant the start of so-called Phase 3 trials. The speculation is that the results from the Phase 2 trials will show that the drug, designed to halt the spread of cancerous tumours, is effective in a lowdose form and that the side effects detected in previous trials have not become any

Historically, a drug that enters Phase 3 trials has about a 60 per cent chance of coming to market. In valuing British Biotech shares, analysts must estimate the size of the market



that Marimastat can address, Marimastat will eventually go into commercial production.

If the results are negative of inconclusive, the shares could plummet. One investment firm expects the shares to fall to about £15 if Marimastat does not proceed to Phase 3 trials. There is no real "floor" price because the company has no earnings and no products on the market.

billion, or about £120 million more than its market capitalisation on Friday. Volume was almost 1 million shares, against the normal daily trading of 3,000 shares. The shares have risen by more than 600 per cent in the past 12 months.

One analyst said he was keen on the company because of the broad market potential nine different tumours, rang-

likely to rise with it. A year ago, the market capitalisation of the seven quoted biotechnology companies was about £1 billion. There are now a dozen quoted biotechnology companies, with a combined market capitalisation of about £4.5

the drug's potential penetration of that market, the sales price and the revenue decline once it loses its patent protection. Valuations vary considerably, but some brokers think that the company could be worth as much as £40 a share if today's results indicate that

British Biotech shares closed at a record £30.30, up 185p. valuing the company at £1.76

> of Marimastat. The drug is designed to slow the spread of ing from ovarian tumours to head and neck tumours. If British Biotech shares soar again today, the entire sector is

Savoy aims for hotel restoration

By Alasdair Murray

SAVOY Hotel yesterday announced a £60 million boost to capital expenditure plans in an attempt to restore the company's historic hotels. The company also con-

firmed it was suing Simmons and Simmons, a firm of lawyers, over the £9 million sale of the Lancaster hotel in Paris to a French consortium. The dispute centres on the use

of an unsecured promissory note as part-payment for the deal. The £4.1 million note is not due to be redeemed until 1998. Ramon Pajares, managing director, told the annual meeting that the investment was necessary as many rooms were not up to modern stan-■ dards. But Sir Ewen Fergusson, chairman, said that there would be a fall-off in

occupancy levels as rooms were closed for repairs. Alex Bernstein and Gerry Robinson are to join the hoard as Granada's representatives after the resignation of Sir Rocco Forte and Sir Anthony Tennant.

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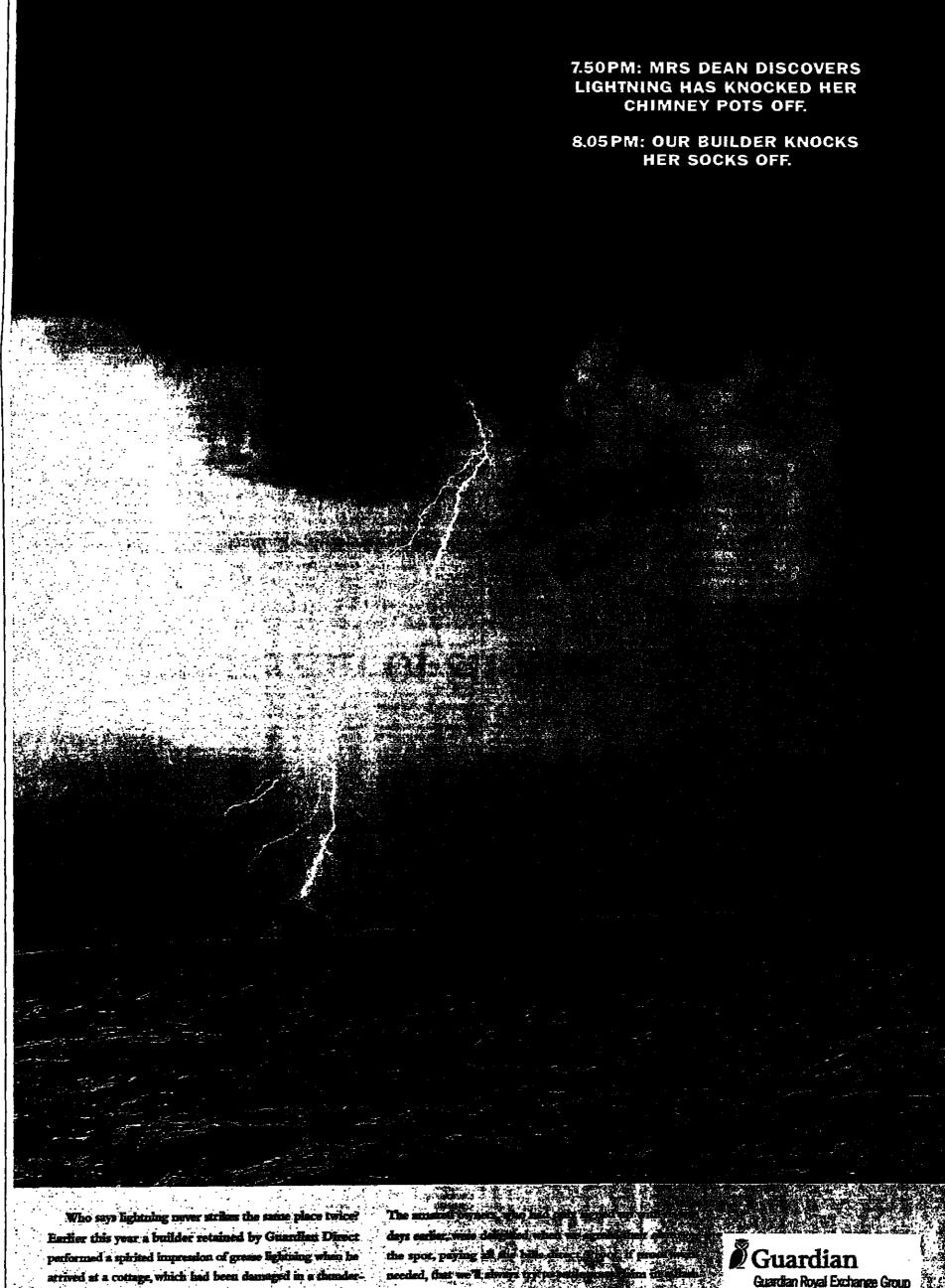
By Eric Reguly

SETON HEALTHCARE yes terday announced its strongest profits since its flotation in 1990 and said it would continue making acquisitions in the British market.

Seton, which specialises in wound care, infection control and orthopaedics products, reported pre-tax profits of £16.4 million, up 52 per cent, on turnover of E84.9 million, up 38 per cent. About E9 million of the turnover gain came from acquisitions.

Earnings per share rose 16 per cent to 24.6p. A final dividend of 5.5p is to be paid on July 31, making the total dividend 7.9p, up 14 per cent. The company said that economies of scale pushed operating margins from 19.1 per cent to 20.9 per cent.

Roger Humphreys, finance director, said that Seton will probably make as many acquisitions this year as it did last year. In 1995-96, it spent about £51 million on pur and Simpla Plastics.







Railtrack delivers instant profit to small investors

snook at the political worries surrounding Railtrack as they pocketed an immediate profit of £61 on the minimum investment in 200 shares.

First-time dealings in Railtrack, of which Bob Horton is chairman, dominated an otherwise drab start to the week in the stock market, accounting for 161.7 million, or 21 per cent, of the total market turnover of 759 million shares.

After being almost three times oversubscribed, the shares were priced in their partly paid form at 190p for private investors and 200p for the institutions.

The opening price was 224p.
The shares touched a high of 229p, eventually closing 304p dearer at 2205. That would have given those investors paying out £380 for a minimum investment of 200 shares, a paper profit of £61.

Brokers said that the price had been driven higher by institutions anxious to increase their weighting in the shares after being allotted only a fraction of the stocks they had applied for.

Elsewhere, share prices failed to capitalise any further on Wall Street's bull run, which has seen the Dow Jones industrial average climb for nine successive days. The FT-SE 100 index saw an early tenpoint lead quickly eroded to end the session 11.4 points lower at 3,778.2, with investors proving reluctant to open fresh positions before the bank holiday.

leaders Allied Among Domecq fell 12p to 484p after announcing that the proposed sale of its 75 per cent stake in Lyons Irish Holdings to Unilever Ireland had been referred to the Irish Republic's competition authority. But we should hear this morning that Allied has sold its Continental Bakeries business to Hillsdown for £50 million.

There was heavy turnover in Luminar, the Chicago Rock Café restaurant chain, during first-time dealings. A total of 5.1 million shares were placed by Henderson Crosthwaite at 200p, with the price opening way above initial estimates at 253p. It later hit a high for the day of 270p before closing at 255p, a premium of 5p.

Almost 3.5 million shares in a thin marke where traders were prepared to make a price in 10,000 at a time. Brokers said demand



Bob Horton, of Railtrack, saw the shares touch a high of 229p

the leisure sector recently. On Olex, shares of Motion Media, which makes telephones with their own televison screens, were placed at 674p. The price began trading at 92p, after 97p, a bigger premium in percentage terms than Railtrack. John Jenkins at Ofex said that more than 60,000 shares had changed hands at the close.

sure after the announcement that Iraq had agreed an oil-for-food deal with the United Nations. City traders fear the deal will depress the price of crude on world markets by allowing Iraq to begin resuming exports. It was suggested the move could be the first step towards a full lifting of sanctions. BP slipped 5p to 5694p and there were also losses for

Keep an eye on Chloride, the battery-maker and electronics group. The price rose a further 2p to 284 p on turnover of 1.3 million shares, after one market-maker bought stock at 28 2 p. Dealers say there has been persistent buying recently, with the price having come up from the 23p level since November.

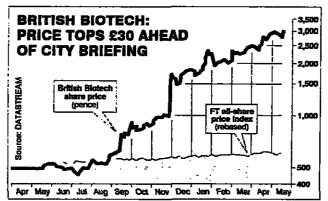
Record profits from British Airways failed to cut any ice with the City, leaving the price 3p easier at 555p. A rise of almost 30 per cent in pre-tax profits to £585 million was achieved on the back of a near 10 per cent increase in passenger traffic. The group refused to be drawn on claims that it planned to link up with American Airlines.

Oil shares came under pres-

Shell, 3p to 926½ p, Enterprise Oil, 5p to 460p, Cairn Energy. 4p to 240p and Lasmo, 62p to 176½ p. A warning of "significantly lower" profits left APV, the

engineer, nursing a fall of 15½p at 74p as more than 1 million shares changed hands, Sir Peter Cazalet, chairman,

told shareholders at the annual meeting that difficult trad-



ing order position would lead to a sharp drop in first-half profits. The group is attempting to reduce costs, but the benefits will not be seen until the second half and will cost at least £8 million.

British Biotech briefly climbed above the £30 level ahead of today's presentation at which it will give the latest update on trials of its Marimastat cancer treatment.

The City is placing a lot of faith in the drug's efficacy. which is one reason why the share price has surged from a low of 428p in the past year. Some traders say that the next stop is the £40 level. The price closed last night 185p dearer at £30.30, valuing the group at El.76 billion.

Chiroscience, a rival. continued to reflect on Friday's trading news with a leap of 42p at 520p.

BT rose 5½p to 345½p and BSkyB, the satellite broadcaster 40 per cent owned by News International, parent company of The Times, added 9p to 449p on the back of reports that both companies were on the verge of announcing a joint venture.

The deal is expected to promote set-top boxes enabling BSkyB to launch its digital television service in Britain next year.

A near 30 per cent rise in half-year pre-tax profits to £1.32 million failed to cheer RM, the information technology specialist, which closed 8p cheaper at 497p.

GILT-EDGED: US buying and support for the future gave the bond market a firm start to trading after the weekend break.

But prices were unable to sustain the early gains as profit-taking and falls among German bunds took their

In the futures pit, the June series of the Long Gilt saw an early lead frittered away to close just a tick firmer at £1062532 as 50,000 contracts were completed.

Among conventional issues, Treasury 8 per cent 2015 was unchanged at £971316, while at the shorter end. Treasury 8 per cent 2000 was up 's at £1025. □ NEW YORK: The Dow Jones industrial average was trading nearly unchanged at midday as cyclical stocks ran into weakness on perceptions that the economy was slowing, analysts said. At midday, the index was up 0.37 to 5,687.87.

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TEMPUS BA's billion

ONCE again. British Airways demonstrated that it knows a little bit about marketing. The airline was unable to provide any news vesterday about the story that matters: its transatlantic strategy and the rumoured linkup with American Airlines. Instead. BA plumped for the oldest gambit in the book and threw a big round number into the ring. promising business efficiencies totalling El

billion over the next three years.

BA was reluctant to spell out where the £1 billion would be found other than vague references to cost-savings and revenue enhancement. The truth is that BA is doing well in large part because the airline market is doing well: passenger traffic is increasing at a time when airlines are seeing little growth in capacity. As a result load factors are high - as much as \$0 per cent on some routes - and

yields have increased, temporarily reversing a long-term downward trend in the industry.

The question is whether this momentum can be sustained. To achieve its own longterm objective of a 17.3 per cent cash return on assets. BA needs to push the return 2 points higher than the 17.4 per cent it has just achieved in an exceptional year.

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BA will find it hard to become leaner. High load factors have the annoying tendency to raise costs, because of the need for extra staff to handle crowds at check-in. BA probably has another good year ahead before new industry capacity begins to drive down yields in 1997. That leaves a question mark over the rating on BA shares. For such a cyclical investment, a dividend yield 20 per cent below the market rate looks pricey and assumes that the £1 billion saving is already in the bag.

FT-SE Mid 250

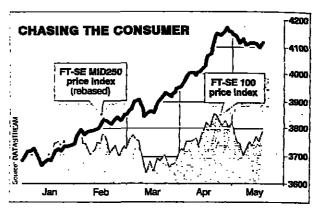
LEADING shares are proving a dull investment, witness the weak performance of the FT-SE 100 index. which since the beginning of January gained only 27 per cent in value. By contrast, smaller companies, particularly those with a consumer hias have done well. The FT-SE Mid 250 price index has gained almost 12 per cent over the same period, while the FT-SE Small Cap index is up 16 per cent.

Smaller companies tend to be late movers and a better showing for the FT-SE Mid 250 and Small Cap indices at this stage is scarcely suprising. More importantly. the weighting of financial and utility stocks within the FT-SE 100 index has not been to its benefit, Last year, both sectors spiralled upwards in a tumult takeover bids, real or

imagined, and amid the expectation of cash payouts from special dividends.

The focus is shifting from financial and utility stocks back to cyclical shares, particularly those with a bias to the UK in the hope that a consumer recovery is imminent. Such a strategy would favour builders, retailers and the leisure sector and the

Mid 250 index is a natural beneficiary. The weak link is industrial companies that have still not fully recovered from last year's destocking, But gradual recovery in Europe and the prospect of tax breaks from a Labour government keen to promote industrial investment could put the cyclical shares back in the frame.



APV

ANYONE surprised by news of a weak order book at APV has clearly not been watching the food processing industry. A diet of weak margins, restructuring and disposals, best exemplified by the troubles of United Biscuits, is unlikely to lead to a rush of orders for new machinery.

Yesterday's profit warning was doubly disappointing as it came after a relatively encouraging return to profit in 1995 accompanied by improved margins. APV has been shrinking the business with some aggressive reduction in manning - the payroll has fallen from 14.500 at the end of 1989 to 8,000 and is now set to fall further with more redundancies.

The trouble is that until last year. APV had little to show for the blood-letting. As fast as the company cuts back its operations, its margins shrink with it. A lost order valued at £15 million was

unfortunate but the company is warning that it sees no signs of a recovery in its markets, hence the new £8 million bout of cost-cutting.

Without a recovery in its markets, the solution to APV's problems is an industry-wide restructuring but the major players, Tetra-Laval, GEA and APV show no willingness to embark on such a solution, even were the European Commission to allow them to do it.

Savoy

SOMEONE is finally throwing the windows open at the Savoy Hotel sending a blast of clean cold air into rooms long stifled by a cosy fug. At yesterday's AGM, the company finally admitted that it needed to accommodate travellers whose demands have moved on from the heyday of the London season. Such modcons as air-conditioning are necessary, notwithstanding

the concerns of some shareholders, for whom tampering with Claridges and the Connaught is sacrilege. The management is getting to grips with a competitive world where the Savov name is not

enough to win customers. This realisation, while welcome, has occurred a bit late. The £60 million capital investment programme, combined with the sale of some of the oddities acquired by the Wontner family, is vital to assure the company's future. But the investment means that rooms will be closed just as the London hotel market nears its neak, with occupan-

> 60 per cent, well below the company's 80 per cent target. The shares are being supported by hopes of a successful sale by Granada of the 68 per cent stake acquired following its takeover of Forte. Part of the Savoy's charm lies in it being an archaic institution but replacing the plumbing is expensive and charm does not pay bills.

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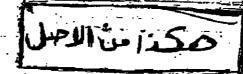
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Taste of trouble at the Savoy HUNGRY shareholders

attacked the Savoy Hotel

Group at its AGM yesterday - for its poor performance on the buffet table. The first complainant from the floor sniffed at past AGM repast, saying it was "too little, and served too slowly ... the waiter was besieged as if by a swarm of locusts". After an apology from Sir Ewen Fergusson, chairman, a former Forte shareholder announced that the canapés were far worse under Sir Rocco at that company's annual meetings. Admitting that flow of food" had been a problem in the past, Ramon Pajares, Savoy Group managing director, said: This year there was more quantity and more

Surfing UBS

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A RATHER sad profile is piecing, logether of Bill Martin, the UBS chief economist who took six weeks out of his life to study the Labour Party economy. The 45-year-old economist, ranked fourth in the UK, has a BA in social studies from Exeter University. He worked for eight years at the DTI and for two years at the Cabinet Office, Central Policy Review Staff. The father of two teenagers, who lives in Billericay, says he plays music on full volume to relax — . "anything from rock to baroque". Having done nothing but work on his project for almost two months, he is looking forward to some surfing — on



'Don't know much about their drugs but their shares have done me good"

Note of surprise

JOHN BAKER attended his first press conference as chairman of the English National Operatic Society yesterday. Perhaps better known as chief executive of National Power, Baker said he was a touch surprised when asked to join the ENO board. "After all. when a business asks one to join a board, you wonder what they have hidden away," he whispered.

Tea returns

THE Halifax Building Society may be breaking with its mutual past by becoming a bank but there are some traditions it is happy to preserve. At last year's AGM, there was no tea, as extra time was needed to discuss the society's conversion plans. But yesterday the honourable practice of taking tea was resumed, with those attending at Halifax's Victoria theatre repairing upstairs for refreshment.

Negative feeling

A ROW has erupted in Stockton-on-Tees after the council's admission that it is paying Lord Lichfield more than £10,000 to photograph the area for a calendar. The council's City Challenge department is confident that local companies will cover the cost of the two-week shoot, but Stocktonians are dubious. Stephen Smailes, a Tory councillor, brands the commission wasteful". He says: "We have enough professional photographers in this town who could have done the job for a lot less money."

MORAG PRESTON

Major's stance is out of step with British business

Key companies and unions are changing their tune on European issues, says

Philip Bassett

ohn Major is expected roday to emphasise to Britain's business leaders the importance of the Government's stance on Europe, not just on the beef industry, after yesterday's Brussels decision. More significantly for business generally, the Prime Minister will discuss the importance of maintaining the Government's opt-outs on the single currency, and the minimum job standards of the Euro-pean social chapter.

But before Mr Major's speech to the Confederation of British Industry's annual dinner, employers will join with senior European officials and trade union leaders to take a rather different view of British business in Europe: a Europe built on co-operation, where minimum work standards are accepted and are built on social partnership between business and its employees.

Sir Brian Nicholson, the CBI president, will use his own speech to mount a strong defence of British business interests in Europe. He will attack those advocating European withdrawal and will emphasise the importance of maintaining competitiveness in European economic and constitutional moves.

In addition to the Prime Minister's statements, the CBI leader will reject the idea that all regulation from Europe is unhelpful and a burden on business. He will call instead for both the right kind and the right mix of regulation, aimed at improving competitiveness across Europe.

But earlier in the day, key business and European leaders will be taking a rather different line, an approach which reflects the characteristically more pragmatic line from business. At a conference organised by the Transport and General Workers Union. Rover will spell out its commitment to minimum standards, to co-operation and to partnership. Local government leaders will do the same.

For shareholders, Anne Simpson, PIRC director, will emphasise the importance to shareowners of a high performance" workplace, while the head of the European Commission's Larsson, will emphasise the centrality of the partnership approach in Europe. For the unions in the UK, John Monks, the TUC General Secretary. will set out how he sees the relationship with a future government. For Labour, Gordon Brown, the Shadow Chancellor, will underline that all this will be central to the way an incoming Labour

Last week, the Bank of England set out its preparations for a single European currency, which it is making whether or not Britain eventually decides to join. Similarly, the EEF engineering employers made clear the practical line many British companies are taking on the introduction of European works councils (EWCs), in

government will operate.



Car care: Rover will spell out its commitment to minimum job standards

spite of the Government's social chapter opt-out.

The pragmatism reflected in these approaches will be demonstrated today on what is for many businesses the still-difficult area of minimum stankey impacts of a possible future Labour government will be its adherence to minimum standards — a minimum wage in the UK and the abandonment of the Government's opt-out on employment affairs, instead signing the

social chapter of the Maastricht treaty. In the belief that a Labour government is now a genuine possibility, business is looking hard at more cooperative ways of working. And in-creasingly, too, it is not finding the view as appalling as had been forecast.

Faced with ferocious competition from Japanese inward investors like Nissan, Honda and Toyota, Rover now German-owned - will today emphasise how important to the competitiveness of the business it sees its pioneering partnership agreement with the TGWU, which offers a guarantee of job security in return for a range of work flexibilities.

Bill Morris, TGWU general secretary, accepts that the co-operative tone oi today's move is a very far c the largely combative note his and other UK unions used to strike - strike usually being the operative word.

The trade unions, and the TGWU in particular," he says, "have to have a role in making a contribution towards global competitiveness." Such language used to see other union leaders attacked and abused by their union colleagues. Not any more. "The argument is different now," says Mr Morris The world has changed. We're not in competition with the factory next door. We're in competition with the factory 10,000 miles away."

Mr Morris now talks the language of international competitiveness with a will. He now talks of how trade unionism used to be in the UK, that "we mistook the enemy", and accepts that the conflict model of trade unionism, given both still-high unemployment and high levels of insecurity for people in work, offers little to employees or employers.

Instead, what he and the TGWU backed by the TUC, which is running its own conference in the City on Thursday on the parallel theme of stakeholding - now offer employers is agreements: agreements which increase companies profitability and competitiveness, and which offer minimum standards on a range of employment issues, including pay, hours and

Unions led by the TGWU are now bargaining with companies on these points. At national level, Britain's principal business bodies are engaged in a round of delicate talks with the TUC on minimum standards agreements.

The unions' pitch on minimum standards has behind it the belief that companies would be better adopting baseline employment practices rather than see them imposed either by a future Labour government, or by Brussels - either now or once any future Labour government has signed the social chapter.

While some employers are clearly being drawn to this line, others remain wary, glancing over their shoulder at the legislative flow still coming from Brussels on social issues. Though Conservative ministers insist that the flow has been staunched because of Britain's opt-out, some new employment law is still coming forward.

For instance, under the first EU social affairs council of the Italian presidency, employment ministers from across Europe finally reached agreement - by qualified majority voting, pulling in the 62 out of 87 votes necessary to secure it, with the UK and Portugal opposing — on the draft directive on so-called "posted" workers.

lirst introduced in 1991 in an effort to end social dumping companies shifting work to lower-cost areas of production the directive will set minimum pay rates, hours of work and leave for employees sent to work temporarily in another EU member states. The agreement will be formalised next month, with implementation in all member

states, including the UK, in three years. Political agreement has also been reached between all EU member states bar the UK, which exercised its opt-out. on the parental leave directive, setting minimum standards for both men and women. It includes the right to up to three months' unpaid leave following dismissal and the right to return to the same or equivalent job. Implementation will be in two years, in all EU states except Britain while the opt-out continues. However, employees of UK companies working in any other EU member state will be covered by the directive.

Such moves are precisely the kind of measures from Europe which the Prime Minister intends to resist. A Labour government would clearly mean business adapting to a different approach to Europe. But even in advance of the next general election key companies in Britain are shifting ground towards minimum job standards, towards co-operation and towards partnership.



Relax, let the bears growl

Back in mio-repairs, when the Dow Jones industrial average has been above first poked its head above 5.600. I wrote in this column that Wall Street could be set for a temporary correction, but that long-term investors should hold on to their shares. Wall Street was likely to go well above 5,600 before it fell into a long-dreaded

bear market. I also argued that, despite the widespread expectations of an imminent crash on Wall Street, American shares at 5,600 were a safer bet than the Japanese shares at 20,900 on the Nikkei index or Hong Kong stocks at 11,300. Most British fund managers, by contrast, were expecting a collapse on Wall Street (and a setback for shares in London), while they were wildly enthusiastic about the prospects for capital gains in the Far East.

Since British fund managers have usually been wrong in reading international investment trends, and especially trends on Wall Street, it seemed reasonable to look for reasons why they might again be mistaken. Such reasons ranging from the political threat from China to the high valuations of Japanese shares. Three months later, some-

one who invested in this contrarian spirit would have experienced mixed results. The main message — that the spring correction would not mark the end of the US bull market - seemed to be vindicated yesterday when the Dow finally burst through 5,700. The London market has, as usual, shadowed the Dow and has risen about 1.5 per cent since mid-February. Hong Kong, too, has performed roughly as expected: the Hang Seng below its February high and is 10 per cent lower than the all-time record it hit in early 1994. Thus, anyone who invested in Hong Kong at the height of the emerging market craze (and that includes most British institutions) would still be showing a loss, while anybody who bought

cent ahead. Tokyo, on the other hand, has this year defied bearish faith of the British institutions. The Nikkei average is now 5 per cent higher than it

US equities would be 42 per

medium term, however, the huge British bet on Tokyo has proved a poor one, since Jananese shares are still worth only about half what they were in 1990. In fact, for an investment in Japanese shares to have done better than a similar investment in London or Wall Street, the shares would have had to be bought in 1984 or before and even then, the small relative gain in Japan would have been due entirely to

currency movements. The question now is what may happen in the period ahead and where the institutions will see fit to invest our savings. The latest Merrill Lynch survey of big fund managers published two weeks ago showed the usual inverse correlation between the views of the supposed experts and market reality on Wall Street. The survey, conducted in the first week of May, showed the British bears growling more fiercely than ever. The last time the British institutions were as gloomy as this about Wall Street was in November 1994; the great bull market started exactly a month later. This time, too, Wall Street behaved on cue. The market bottomed out on May 9, the day the gloomy Merrill Lynch survey was published. It rose by 5 per cent in the next ten trading days.

s long as British and other foreign investors remain so sceptical about Wall Street, US shares (as well as the dollar) will probably continue to move up. Bearish fund managers could be a huge potential source of new money once they succumb to the American dream. And the British institutions, despite ineir persistent misjud ments, control more pension fund savings than the rest of Europe put together. Once you start hearing

from Wall Street that "the British are coming" (or, better, that the Japanese are coming) you will know it will soon be time to get out. My hunch, however, is that the British actuaries are a stubborn lot. More months will pass before they are sucked into this bull market. And as long as the experts remain bearish, individual investors can relax; the experts will continue to be proved wrong.

Eric Reguly meets a multi-talented heir to the Lauder billions

Rich man with scent of success



Liz Hurley: cosmeties house launched her model career

R onald S. Lauder is one of those rare executives who moves frequently. and seemingly effortlessly, between the worlds of business, politics and public service. An heir to Estée Lauder, the make-up, skin-care and fragrance empire that practically invented the "hope in a jar concept and gave Elizabeth Hurley her highest-paying job, he has been a US Ambassador, a Pentagon adviser and a New York City mayoral candidate.

His latest incarnation is chairman and controlling shareholder of RSL Communications, the telecoms company that yesterday launched its British service and announced the purchase of the French and German operations of Sprint,

largest long-dis-

Mr Lauder, 52, has high hopes for RSL - he says he wants to make it the world's largest privately owned telecoms company but he clearly has no interest in letting it dominate his

business schedule. There are too many opportunities elsewhere, especially in Eastern Europe. Central European Media Enterprises. his television company in the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania and Slovenia, is expanding rapidly and needs attention, and he wants to build on his reputation as the patron of high living in liberat-

ed Budapest. There he spent more than \$20 million to transform the Gundel restaurant from what he calls "a Wimpey's into the Maxim's of Eastern Europe". fortune to work the same magic on one or two of the grand old Danube hotels. Mr Lauder has been able to

change careers at will and build a portfolio of diverse businesses because he was never the centre of attention at Estée Lauder. It was Leonard, his older brother, who ended up devoting his life to the group. Leonard was pressed into service by his mother, Estèe, as a child and became president in 1972; he is now chairman and chief executive.

Ronald served as an Estée Lauder marketing executive for 17 years before becoming Assistant Defence Secretary for European and Nato policy in 1982. In 1987 he became Ambassador to Austria, and,

Lauder name allows Ron Lauder to do virtually anything he wants

> in 1989 ran against David Dinkins and Rudolph Giuliani for mayor of New York. His wealth, his famous name and his free-enterprise ideals won him a blaze of publicity but little else. Steve Forbes, the heir to the Forbes media fortune, used the same losing formula in this year's presidential race.

The Lauder name allows Ron Lauder to do virtually anything he wants. The company is considered glamorous and well-respected: it is a textbook case on how to build and sustain an upmarket image and transform it into a world brand. Estèe Lauder began to sell internationally in the early 1960s - Harrods was its first foreign outlet - and

half or more of its business. Mr Lauder is chairman of the international arm.

Estée is not as legend went, a countess who grew up rich in some Habsburg castle. She was born Josephine Esther Mentzer in Queens, New York, of a Hungarian mother and Czechoslovakian father and lived over a hardware store. With the help of an uncle, she invented a face cream that she called Super-Rich All Purpose Cream, and convinced a couple of salons to allow her to use it on their clients. Before long she had invented a range of cosmetics and, in 1946, she convinced Saks Fifth Avenue, the department store, to sell her products at its beauty counters Next came a

Youth Dew. which at one point was the world's bestselling fragrance. Estée always sold to well-heeled

perfume and bath oil called

women who could afford to pay a premium for image. When companies such as L'Oreal introduced more expansive ranges, Estèe Lauder simply raised its prices. As part of a tax and successionplanning effort last year, Estée Lauder joined the stock market in a flotation that valued the group at almost \$3 billion.

It is not known how much Ron Lauder is worth, but the family still owns 88 per cent of Estée Lauder's equity. That would make Mr Lauder something close to a billionaire. With his wealth and company name behind him, it appears Mr Lauder has many more

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Demand for foreign goods boosts imports

Japanese see trade surplus fall to £2bn

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imports after the Paris embar-

go on foreign pork and beef.

The ministry reported the

gap in the global trade surplus

was down 65.5 per cent from a

year earlier, falling to a level

lower than many economists

had forecast. The politically

sensitive trade surplus with

the United States plunged 55.6 per cent to 172.09 billion yen, while the trade surplus with

the European Union fell 52.2

Car imports continue to

show strong growth, while

exports of Japanese cars were

down 5.3 per cent. This was

due, in part, to weak economic

growth in the US and Europe,

which reduced demand for

cars, but analysts said a more

significant factor is the rapid increase in production in Ja-

A Finance Ministry official

said: "The surplus is expected

to remain on the downtrend.

Imports are likely to continue

growing at a much faster pace

pan's overseas car plants.

per cent.

JAPAN'S trade surplus with the rest of the world in April fell sharply to Y320.66 billion (£2 billion), a decline of twothirds from a year earlier. It was the seventeenth consecutive month of decline in the trade surplus and was due Japan's appetite for imports.

largely to continued growth in Robust demand for foreign cars, semi conductors and

office equipment, including computers, helped to boost imports 30.9 per cent. Japan's exports in April rose 5.1 per cent, a relatively slow pace, reflecting the stagnant economic growth of Japan's main

The Finance Ministry said the main factor in April's sharp fall in the surplus was the 95.5 per cent rise in meat

APV profit warning triggers share fall to a decline in orders would

SHARES in APV, the troubled manufacturer of equipment for the food industry. fell 12¹2p to 77p yesterday after a profit warning (Mar-

Sir Peter Cazalet, chairman, said at the annual meeting that action to further reduce costs in response

cost at least £8 million. The

reason for the decline in profitability was "weak de-mand" in core markets. profits were \$26.9 million on turnover of £881.9 million.

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Dr Michael Sinclair, left, chairman of SMH, and Kate Bleasdale, second right, chief executive, with nursing staff

Healthcare group with £2m AIM

By MARTIN BARROW SINCLAIR Montrose Healthcare, which provides support services to the healthcare sector, is seeking admission to the Alternative Investment Market, raising between £1.5 million and £2 million by way of a share placing.

At flotation the company is expected to be capitalised at between £10 million and £12 million. Funds from the flotation will be used to further develop existing activities and expand into related healthcare areas.

SMH was formed in Februwhen it acquired Match, which supplies nursing and related staff, and GPDS. which provides out-of-hours services to general practitio-ners in the West Midlands.

The chairman of SMH is Dr Michael Sinclair, formerly chairman of Lifetime Corporation, a listed company in America that was sold to Olsten Corporation for \$600 million in 1993. The chief executive of SMH is Kate Bleasdale, a joint founder of Match with John Cariss, who is now chief operating officer of SMH.

The nominated adviser and broker to the company is Raphael Zorn Hemsley.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

BOC agrees £29.8m sale of Delta

BOC GROUP has agreed to sell Delta Biotechnology for 529.8 million. payable over two years. The Nottingham biopharmaceutical company is being sold to Centeon, a a joint venture of Hoechst and Rhone-Poulenc Rorer.

Delta specialises in developing and purifying blood plasma. BOC, whose core business sectors are industrial gases, healthcare, vacuum technology and distribution services, said the sale proceeds would cover net assets plus goodwill on acquisition previously written off. There would be annual savings in costs. principally research and

Tom Cobleigh to grow

TOM COBLEIGH, the pub retailer, yesterday announced plans to add 15 new managed houses this year to its fastgrowing portfolio. The company, which floated in November last year, also revealed a 38 per cent increase in full-year pre-tax profits to £2.2 million. Overall turnover increased 30.5 per cent to £19.3 million. A maiden 1.6p final dividend is payable on August 19. Tom Cobleigh shares closed down 2p at 215p yesterday, compared with a flotation

SEC lifts dividend

SEC GROUP, the market-maker in traded endowment policies, lifted pre-tax profits to £1 million in the six months to March 31, from £463,000 in the first half of the previous year. The interim dividend rises to 2p a share, compared with 1.5p. payable on July I from earnings that improved to 4.44p from 1.78p. The company said it expects to declare a final dividend of of 2.25p a share, making a total of at least 4.25p for the year to September 30. The shares rose 3p to

PPP Teletech venture

PPP, the private healthcare company, is linking up with the world's biggest customer-care call centre specialist. The £5 million joint venture with Teletech Holdings of America is designed to develop telephone information services for customers of large companies in the UK. Teletech is working on projects that would provide customers with face-to-face contact with a call centre via video conferencing using high street booths and ultimately via their TV or

Medeva US deal

MEDEVA, the pharmaceutical company, has bought the US rights to Semprex-D, a hay fever medication, for £10.9 million from Glaxo Wellcome. The anthistamine was already marketed in America by Adams Laboratories, Medeva's subsidiary. Glaxo Wellcome will supply the product to Adams until regulatory approval has been received. Jerry Schulze, president and chief executive officer of Medeva America, said: "Semprex-D is one of our core new products and we are very pleased to be bringing it wholly in-house."

RM pushes ahead

RM, the supplier of information technology software, services and equipment to the education sector, lifted profits to £1.32 million before tax in the half-year to March 31, from £1.04 million in the first six months of the previous year. Earnings advanced to 5p a share from 4p. The interim dividend rises to 1.8p a share from 1.5p. The shares slipped 8p to 497p yesterday. The company had cash of £9.7 million at the end of the first half, compared with £10 million a year ago.

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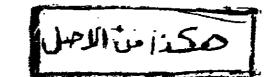
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No limit to his observation: the glory of Degas is revealed at the National Gallery



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In Smith Square a mystic aura and fine technique combine in the paintings and prints of M.J. Mott

Richard Cork on the National Gallery's major exhibition of Degas' brilliant variations on two themes

Obsession that made an old man happy

ale, gaunt and dressed in a workaday coat smeared with pastel dust the ageing Degas stares out from his selfportrait with an air of prolound resignation. A deep crimson shadow is scored beneath the left eye, accentuating his weariness. "I look like а dog," he exclaimed when surveying this disconsolate likeness. But there is no mistaking the acuteness of its honest observation, and behind his grizzled head a buoyant image of a female nude hangs on the wall. Rubbing the nape of her neck with a towel, she shows just how spirited the old man's imagination could be. Positioned at the beginning

of the National Gallery's powerful new exhibition, this revealing image sums up the paradox of Degas later years. To the outside world, he often seemed morose and reclusive. Within the fastness of his looming Montmartre house. though, the inveterate bachelor pursued his pictorial preoccupations with daring, drive and resourcefulness. This pioneering survey concentrates on the hitherto neglected period of his career between the late 1880s and 1912, when Degas' home in the Rue Victor Masse was demolished. The move to another apartment brought his art to an end, and he spent his last five years in ever-worsening health. Before then, however, he had led a disciplined and inventive life, continually revising, simplify-ing, refining and transforming a few obsessive themes.

Although some of the pictures and sculpture in Richard Kendall's well-chosen survey have been exhibited before, the full range of Degas' late work is here displayed for the first time. And it gives the lie to critics who claimed that he had deteriorated into a narrow, repetitive old age. Degas' decision to jettison most of the subjects explored in his earlier career did not limit him as an artist. By casting aside his racehorses, singers, laun-

dresses and whores, in order to focus on dancers and bathers alone, he affirmed that his overriding loyalty lay with the female figure in her private moments. The ballerinas who appear in Degas' late pictures are not, for the most part, performing on stage. Even when arrayed in sequined turus, they are increasingly seen in rehearsal rooms, backstage or waiting in the wings. As for the women who disrobe, wash and rub them-

6 He wanted his art to be as purged and renewed as the bathers 9

selves dry, they are wholly caught up in their own cleansing activities.

Even though he concentrates so tightly on these

figures, Degas makes us realise that the subject is potentially limitless. The show's principal revelation lies in its serial images, clusters of pictures based on the same motif but capable of infinite transformation. The sequences often commence with a stark charcoal study, based on nude models posed in the studio. draughtsman, and even the roughest of these late, loosely handled sketches are miracles of supple, economical observation. Group of Dancers is among the most masterly of these studies. Broken and smudged, the charcoal nevertheless captures the nervous, fluttering motion of the women as they brace themselves for the performance

Degas habitually drew on tracing paper, so that he could replicate an existing design and then change it at will. Hanging next to the *Group of* Dancers drawing are the fully fledged ballet pictures based on the same composition. Using pastel with extraordinary frecdom, Degas ensures that the naked models undergo a wonderful series of metamorphoses. In one image, they are clothed in green tutus liberally spattered with flecks of white. The painted scenery behind them is summarised defily, making the dancers seem as if they are sheltering behind it. They look almost furtive, and this unease prevents the picture from degenerating into mere prettiness.

On other occasions, Degas meditates on the difference between the raw reality of posed models and the outright enchantment of the same fig-ures dressed as ballerinas. The charcoal study of Two Nude Dancers on a Bench is a stark affair, focusing on the strain involved in limbering up for a performance. By the time they were reworked in a pastel version, though, all that physical effort had given way o a magical alternative. Slashed with vigorous vertical strokes of violet and gold, the stretching women look like angelic apparitions floating in paradise. Degas became fascinated by the change undergone by these creatures as they moved, in an especially beguiling pair of pictures, from deep blue to a more captivating blend of pink and green.

Not all the dancer pictures are so ethereal. In 1899 Degas became excited by the spectacle of Russian dancers. Their fiery costumes and uninhibited movements bewitched the old man, who produced a series of blazing pastels celebrating their dynamism. Looking at these headlong pictures today, we can see them as the first stirrings of the fascination with Russian ballet which swept through Eurone a decade later.

The bather images are, on the face of it, less spectacular. After all, what could be more matter-of-fact than glimpses of women sitting on the edge of a tub, stepping in, climbing out



Dancers, Pink and Green (c. 1896), from the National Gallery's show devoted to the later, less lauded, Degas

and drying themselves? Dehowever, scrutinised mundane activities again and again. More than 200 pastels, together with a sculptures as well as countless drawings, testify to the strength of his obsession. But there is no suggestion that the nudes are being observed by salivating male elders. The women are attractive enough, and Degas relished the litheness of their bodies. His primary aim, however, was not erotic. Rather does he define the strength, agility and sheer animal independence of naked bodies purging them-

selves of urban grime.

In one particularly luminous painting, a maid pours water from a jug on to a

woman's shoulders. The gesture could well possess a baptismal significance. The richness of the colours emblazoning the wall behind suggests that Degas wanted to invest this moment with an almost ceremonial splendour. And the idea of cleansing surely implies the promise of renewal. Are these women being reborn in a world of sensation heightened by Degas' perpetual willingness to take fresh risks with the

resources at his disposal?

The question is worth asking when we examine an outstanding series called After the Bath. Seen from behind, like so many of these bathing figures, a woman rubs her neck with a white towel. Since

hardly be more anonymous.
But her back is charged with energy, and the changes it undergoes in picture after picture are audacious enough

stage.

In the National Gallery's large pastel, she dominates the composition with statuesque grandeur. But, in a closely related version, from the Norton Simon Foundation in California. she seems plumper and more sensual. It is an exquisitely refined image, and yet Degas was capable of startling roughness as well. The version from Stuttgart has no time for a display of virtuoso technique. The hatched shading on her back is scratched on to the paper, and the rest of her body

appears to be breaking up into disjointed fragments.

Degas was far too fascinated by the human body ever to become an abstract artist. In the most experimental of these late works, though, he does seem to be pushing himself into a world where line, form and colour have a more autonomous existence than before. Despite growing infirmity and worsening eyesight, this restless old man wanted his art to be as purged and renewed as the bathers emerging from the water. If his subjects remained constant, his images were forever on the move.

● Degas: Beyond Impressionism opens at the National Gallery tomorrow and continues until Aug 26 (tickets from First Call, 0171-420

AROUND THE

DANIEL ENKAOUA is only 33, and this is his first one-man show. He is a very quiet painter indeed. Born in France of a long-established Sephardic family, he settled in Israel when he was 19. He paints mainly townscapes, of a modern city which could be anywhere round the Mediterranean. The style is a soft-edged, non-photographic realism, the colouring subdued, as though everything is seen through a veil of dust. But Enkaoua's paintings have a simmering intensity, as of the calm before a desert storm. Marlborough Fine Art. 6 Albemarle Street, WI (0171-629 5161), until June 14

☐ It is sad to see the Ben Uri Gallery about to be evicted from its old home above the Dean Street synagogue (the site is to be redeveloped). One can hopes that plans for a much larger building will be rapidly realised. Meanwhile. the penultimate exhibition is devoted to yet another neglected 20th-century Jewish artist, Michael Salaman (1911-1987). Salaman was a brilliant colourist, his pictures radiating bonhomie. Even the darkest like Casualty, based on his wartime experience — hint at a happy ending. The art is so skilled that one cannot but wonder why it is not better Ben Uri Art Gallery, 21 Dean Street, WI (0171-437 2852), until May 26

☐ British artists, especially of a symbolistic disposition, often find that the technical disciplines of print-making focus their talents. M.J. Mott seems to be of this persuasion. Some of her paintings are beautiful: dreamlike landscapes, fantastic cities, ele-mental Adam-and Eve figures apparantly rooted in the ground itself. But there is also a tendency for the human figures, dwelling in fantasy, to lack a necessary infrastructure of bones and muscles. As soon as we turn to the prints, though, the work toughens up. many techniques; here we find etchings plain and coloured. mezzotints. linocuts, woodengravings and relief prints. as well as mixtures. The effect is stunning; crisp, elegant, precise, brilliantly coloured where applicable, yet retaining the mystic aura in which the paintings are bathed. Footstool Gallery, St John's, Smith Square, SWI (0171-222 2168) Mon-Fri 10am-5pm,

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The bright spark in a brown world

Sacha Craddock celebrates the long career of one of Britain's best abstract painters; plus other new shows

front of a work by Gillian Ayres it soon becomes clear that this artist's chosen subject is painting itself. Unlike a lot of lyrical abstraction, Ayres's work is almost belligerent in its direct, "hands-on", expressionistic approach. There is no sense of doubt or indecision, only of an attempt to create a reality through massive volumes of paint. The struggle seems more physical than mental.

"Why should painting be

"Why should painting be bloody misery?" Ayres asks. Her current exhibition at Gimpel Fils is a vivid illustration of this attitude. It includes a generous selection of works: many large paintings, among them a diptych which is very large indeed, and a group of smaller works downstairs. The colour in the recent works

is forceful, the drawing blunt. Throughout her career, which spans almost half a century. Ayres has been concerned with paint's potential for transformation. Perhaps no other British painter, except Frank Auerbach, has explored this potential with such passion. The other enduring quality in Ayres's work is the expressive use of colour. From the thinner, more fluid abstract pictures of the 1950s to the later "arranged" works of the 1980s, all are uniformly bright and hedonistic and determinedly not rooted in the English tradition of muted

Her affiliations lie in a straight line from Impressionism, through Matisse to American Abstract Expressionism. She first came into contact with what she still

tonal variations.

characterises as "brown" English art as a student at Camberwell Art School, where she kept herself to herself. "I thought when I went to art school: how wonderful, I will be able to talk to people. But that was 1946, and they had all come out of the Army and they were talking about the desert and the jungle instead." Her work has remained consistently, almost blindly, unconcerned with specific subject matter or the trappings of autobiography, more decora-

tive than descriptive.

"Our particular culture has always been difficult about decoration," she says. "It is happier with serious subjects and brown paintings. I'm not against the brown of Braque—the colour brown—but there was always thought to be an extra seriousness in dark



Gillian Ayres's Hanging Gardens of Babylon, 1994-95

paintings. In this country they also talk of pure decoration as if it were something like an embroidered cushion. It is a form of Puritanism." Although Ayres has been

making paintings for nearly five decades, it was at the end of the 1970s and the beginning of the 1980s that her large, encrusted, spectacular works achieved acclaim, and came to be essential viewing for a great number of art students. Up to that point she had been teaching in art schools herself, but after an illness moved to Wales and painted full-time.

She talks about art using a

language that presumes a singular shared view. "Reality is constant, but its manifestations are not. I would like to think that my paintings hit at a collective consciousness." She sees the world through her medium and its history. "Wherever I go in the world. I know the skies from painting. On the East Coast I see Constable clouds. People said to Picasso 'that's not in Nature,' and he said, 'well it is now'."

• Gillian Ayres is at Gimpel Fils, 50 Davies Street London WI (017)-493 3488) to June 15

☐ The usually expansive space at Matt's Gallery seems much smaller. Running right across it from side to side is a fake wall. Only slowly does it become clear that, despite the heavily opaque mix of red and purple paint which covers it and the elaborate black detailing at the bottom of the wall, all is not as solid as it seems: a taut, fragile membrane covers the structure, and daylight filters thinly through from behind. Called What are you Lookin' At?, this simple piece by John Frankland is strangeatmospheric: a potentially bland piece has been turned into something more elusive. Matt's Gallery, 42-44 Copper field Rd. London E3 (0181-983 1771). until June 9

☐ With a little help and a makeshift kitchen, Giorgio Sardotti managed to produce an excellent meal in the cold basement of the Cubitt Gallery. Dinner may sound like another cynical, cliquey exercise whereby a list of names becomes a substitute for art. At the same time, however, it was nice to be asked. But that is beside the point. The result-

ing exhibition shows the dinner table exactly as it was left by the guests, with cigarette stubs, empty glasses, doodled table cloths and crumpled knapkins "signed" by Gavin Turk. A frequently altered seating plan, a menu, snap-shots of the cooking and a refusal by fax are tacked on the wall. At each end of the table a large television monitor shows various things, including two short films by Gillian Wearing, while a soundtrack specially arranged by Angela Bulloch plays on. Although nothing awful or embarrassing happened during dinner, the show creates a strong sense that it was all a long time ago, and that the traces should now be cleared

Cubitt Gallery 2/4 Caledonia Street London NI (0171-278 8226) until June 2

☐ Two obsessively worked paintings by Tim Renshaw turn intensive labour to real advantage. The tracery of a map or street plan is repeated in a creeping web across each canvas: yellow detail painstakingly spreads across a black ground in one; blue spreads across grey in the other. Two delicate pieces by Bernice Donzelman are traced straight onto the wall to make small finely woven patterns like drawn-out lace or twodimensional basketwork. Andrew Chesher's work hovers between utility and flatness: a detailed but worn Formica table top sits directly on legs, while a sanded piece of blockboard sits mounted on a fine sandwich of board on the floor, leaning against the wall. Renshaw has selected an unusually discreet show which suggests some intriguing

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VENUE: Tonight at



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Intelligence and wit mark a programme of old favourites and new work from Trisha Brown

LONDON

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FREWAD: Moving Theatre opens a season of Schritcler with the British premiers of his 1836 play an army officer, deep in deb, harasses an actress he considers fair game (ie

☐ CALAMITY JANE: Gemma Craven

plays the rooth'-looth' tomboy with Slephen McGenn as Wild Bill Hickok in

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Sadler's Wells. Rosebery Ave, EC! (0171-713 6000) Previews begin longht, 730pm; May 22, 230pm, 730pm Opens May 23, 730pm (§)

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TODAY'S CHOICE

A daily guide to arts compiled by Gillian Maxey

"herwild"). Rehearsed playreadings of other Schnitzlers on Sats May 25 to June String St

ELSEWHERE anighton: Neil Bertlett's intimate musical adaptation of David Gernett's chiling novelle. Lady Into Fox, from today to Saturday at the Music Room, Royal Pavilion (8pm); performed by Louse Gold and Dale Raptey, with Nicolas Bloomfield at the piano. Over at the Theatre Royal, Travelling Opera gress Mozan's Coel tain futtle (7pm), set in the gardens of an Odord college in the early 1900s. Sung in English, Festival box office (01273 709709).

MOLD: Stage adaptation of the Fred MacMurray/Berbara Stanwyck firm noir Double Indexnity, Edward Thomas directs a cast lied by Barry Fostar

America finding love and grief Lyrie Studio, King St, Hammersmath, Wei (0181-741 2311), Previews begin tonight, Spm. Opens lomorrow. § ☐ TARTUFFE: Ign McDiarmid and Tom Hollender marvellously lunny, and creepy, in Jonathan Kent's top-class production of Molibre's tent comedy Almelda, Almelda St. N1 (0171-359 4404). Mon-Sat 8pm; mat Sat 4pm. [5]

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DANCE

Trisha Brown Company Theatre Royal, Brighton

There is nothing very loud about Trisha Brown's choreography. It materialises on stage unobtrusively, unravels its complexities modestly, and then disappears quietly, as if anxious to escape the overt congratulation of applause. Born of intelligence and sparked by wit, it never needs to raise its voice.

Her greatest hit, Set and Reset, part of her current British tour (presented by Dance Umbrella), is vintage Trisha Brown. Created by the American choreographer in 1983, in collaboration with the composer Laurie Anderson and the painter Robert Rauschenberg, it is a classic of Post-Modern dance. Lucky is the punter who has a ticket to see it at the Edinburgh Festival Theatre tonight, or the Queen Elizabeth Hall this weekend.

Inhabiting Rauschenberg's shades of-grey world, and propelled by Ander-son's punchy art-rock score, the three men and four women of Set and Reset slither through Brown's deceptively simple constructions, their knees, el bows and shoulders moving like greased ball-bearings. Brown's use of spontaneous, everyday movements is grafted on to a rigorous structure. The combination is beautiful and wonderfully relaxing to watch: soft phrases that resonate with the sybaritic pleasure of plunging into a warm bath. And the dancers are so good they seem to be intuiting rather than interpreting Brown's creative impulses.

EVERY aspect of Krystian

Zimerman's pianism displays great musicianship, even his

programming. On Friday the Polish pianist avoided empty

unshowy substance, and of-

fered three sonatas by Haydn,

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tas, were written within a few

decades of each other. Each

reveals the way in which its

composer pushed the bound-

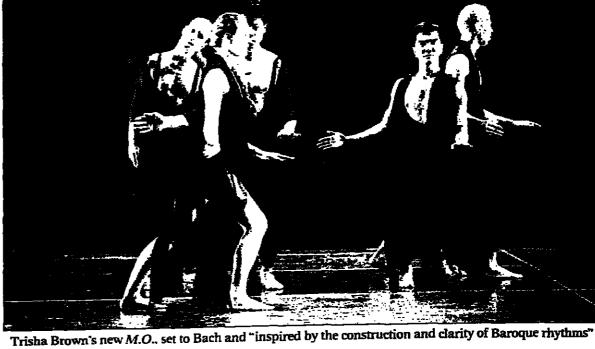
aries of the piano sonata

forward. Each was played

It was a neat programme:

virtuosity in favour

Beethoven and Schubert.



While instinct informs Set and Reset, it is the intellect that informs her 1995 work M.O. Here Brown has - in a new departure - turned to classical music: Bach's Musical Offering Her relationship to Bach is less straightforward than Paul Taylor's, say, or Mark Morris's; at times the music is left to speak to an empty stage, at others the dance is left to complete its statement in silence. But, like her compatriots. Brown is inspired by the construction and clarity of Baroque rhythms.

Nine dancers, dressed by Irie in wisps of black, grey and white, tease each other with the barest of touches.

Feet (a)though not quite as precise as one would like) define small patterns gently brushed against the floor, hands carve delicate angular shapes that never seek to consume the space.

The choreography is at its strongest when the dancers start performing in unison, the power coming from the warmth of the ensemble and the assertion of movement reiterated in many hodies at the same time. But M.O.'s focus is less compelling than Set and Reset's: this is the kind of work you admire, rather than adore. At the Brighton Festival on Friday

night we were also treated to a solo by

the choreographer herself: If you couldn't see me, devised by Brown and Rauschenberg. Indeed, no one could see her, since she danced the entire piece with her back to the audience and her face obscured by a fantastic head of hair. Yet even without the benefit of eye contact we could respond to her extraordinary charisma, her elegantly proportioned physique stabbing the luminescent space created by Jennifer Tipton's superb lighting. Brown may be heading for 60 this year, but she remains a goddess of the dance.

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Even in the cavernous Festival Hall, the music came across with an intimacy that reflected Zimerman's easy dexterity and his way of investing all dynamics with colours of ex-

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Krystian Zimerman Festival Hall

minor-key twist of the Finale. there is a sense of adventure in

the hammer. The "spiritual" dimension of his playing was most evident

Beethoven's Sonata No 30 in E. Op 109, a concise, introspective work that shows the composer retreating into himself. In the sparkling high arabesques of the Vivace and serene variations, the clusive keyboard textures were all

playing sounded spontaneous. Best of all was Schubert's Sonata No 20 in A. D959. Written just months before his early death, it is still a "late" work in which the composer -in contrast to Beethoven was reaching out towards lyrical expansiveness. Zimerman paced it perfectly. The Lied-like Andantino was heart-achingly beautiful, the later movements full of virtuosity in a performance of rare intellectual and emotional

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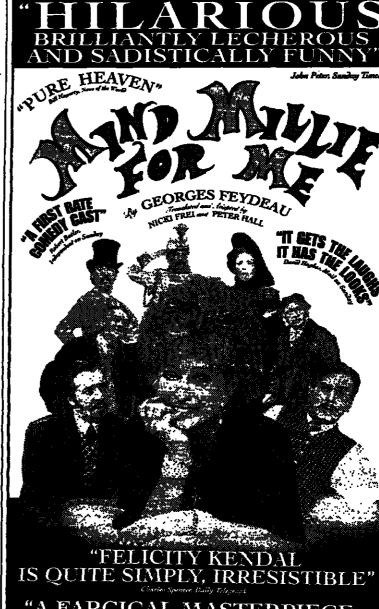
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Some say that the standard of entries in this year's Cannes competition is too high. Geoff Brown is not among them

New whine in a vintage year

lot to please. After mouning during the past few years about the poor quality of Cannes' compension films, some have voiced the view that this time the films were almost too good. There weren't enough that you wanted to walk out of. Now, walking out of a

Cannes press screening takes a special skill. You choose the film's quietest moment; you stand, let the seat tip back with a thud and stumble out. contriving to jolt the row in front and perhaps tread on a few toes. It's a little art form in itself. But how could anyone practise this during Mike Leigh's Secrets & Lies, or Lars von Trier's Breaking the Waves, the films firmly established by the middle of last week as the critics' favourites?

We even sat relatively still during a major disappointment such as the mawkish The Eighth Day, Jaco Van Dormael's long-awaited successor to Toto the Hero, hoping, perhaps, that the opening shafts of brilliance would return to save this banal tale of a harassed businessman (Daniel Auteuil) humanised by an adult with Down's syndrome. Alas, they seldom did.

The line-up for this 49th festival may have been weak on new talent, but there were very few competition films that could be tossed aside lightly, least of all by the jury, chaired by Francis Coppola.

Even those who scoffed at Bernardo Bertolucci's Stealing Beauty had to admit that it glided smoothly past the eyes. The film marks the director's tentative return to contemporary Italy after 16 years of movie wandering in China, India and the Sahara. He is still an outsider; not for nothing are the chief characters British expatriates, bohemians in Tuscany, topped off with an American teenager ripe for a rite of passage. Liv

Bertolucci picked for this role. had her face plastered all over the Croisette: you would swear she was advertising perfume, not a movie. Italians at least love the film's scent — it has been a big hit there — and, while the film is small, there is a freshness to its musings on love, death and beauty that renews hope for a director whose most recent film was Little Buddha.

Bertolucci is not the only film director who has been revamping his portfolio. Steven Soderbergh, who shot to stardom when he won the Palme d'Or aged 26 with sex. lies & videotape, sent a print of

6 Very few competition films could be tossed aside lightly 9

Schizopolis, made with his

own money and with himself

as lead actor. This was presented on Saturday as the festival's traditional surprise film. Unfortunately the surprise was unpleasant: Soderbergh has used his freedom to create an incredibly dishevelled comedy about psychobabble and communication, made up of 2 per cent funny business and 98 per cent dross. On the same day, Michael Cimino, still carrying the scars of Heaven's Gate, came to relaunch his career yet again with his competition entry The Sunchaser, an odd-couple-onthe-road movie about a smooth LA doctor (Woody Harrelson) taken hostage by an escaped prisoner dying of cancer. Cliches overtook the characters, but the film was always watchable.

pleasures, however, from seeing well-established directors doing what comes naturally. Now in his midseventies, Eric Rohmer is scarcely going to change his ways and lurch into all-action bloodshed. The delightful A Summer's Tale, third in a series of seasonal stories, featured the usual articulate young people dithering between romantic commitments over one long lazy summer in Brittany. Rohmer usually fo-cuses on the female sex, but here Melvin Poupard's Gaspard took centre stage. Should he give his heart to Lena, his supposed girlfriend, or Margot, his platonic chum, or the voluptuous Solene? Not an earth-shattering question, perhaps, but Rohmer delved so deftly into his characters' actions and thoughts that you happily spent nearly two

If we go to Rohmer for elegant talk and French sunshine, we go to Aki Kaurismāki for cryptic silences and gloom. The droll Finnish minimalist was on top form in Drifting Clouds, a sad, funny, ultimately optimistic tale of a married couple fighting the country's recession. There were no listicuffs, mind. Kaurismāki's characters - one is a restaurant hostess, the other drives a tram - faced unemployment. financial hardship and marital ruptures with long, brave

hours discovering the answer.

The slow pace and deadpan tone followed the usual Kaurismāki formula, but the quirky use of colour (blue especially) lent the film a distinctive glow. The film is dedicated to the memory of Matti Pellonpää, the quintessential Kaurismäki actor, who was originally to play the restaurant worker; Kati Outinen was his magnificent replacement.

The dominant colours of David Cronenberg's Crash



"Gliding smoothly past the eyes": Donal McCann and Liv Tyler in Stealing Beauty, Bernardo Bertolucci's return to something like his best form

are black and grey, the colours of cars, tarmac, and the Toronto night. Long before this adaptation of J.G. Ballard's notorious novel unspooled in competition last Friday, we were being primed for something scandalously offensive. True, those with axes to grind will grind away as James Spader, Holly Hunter and Elias Koteas experience the ultimate sexual thrill from crashing cars, licking their wounds, and doing things I cannot possibly describe in a

respectable newspaper. But Cronenberg's touch is so cold and so clinical that the images themselves are in no way inflammatory. The som-bre palette, tightly controlled carnera movements and hushed words create an extreme, bleak atmosphere of

sexual tension and perversity. But as Crash proceeds, you soon realise this is a mood piece without drama; and what astonishes after ten minutes loses its potency after a hundred.

Fortunately other directors

at Cannes never forgot about the pleasures of diversity and a mobile narrative. The playful intellectual Raul Ruiz defied the sceptics with his warm and whimsical Three Lives and Only One Death, a compendium of tales featuring Marcello Mastroianni, a man with multiple personalities. Jacques Audiard, a scriptwriter turned director, supplied a superb entertainment with Un Hèros très discret, the ironic tale of a young man who invents his own past as a Resistance hero in the months after France's liberation Thoughtful, witty and tender by turns, the film darts nimbly between its moods, helped by a subtly inflected performance from Matthieu Kassovitz as the nobody from the provinces who learns how to be somebody.

notable films on view, from Rolf de Heer's The Quiet Room, a powerful journey into a child's mind, to Hou Hsiao-Hsien's Goodbye South, Goodbye (ravishing to watch, if difficult to penetrate). Outside the cinemas, Virginia Bottomley partied with rock stars, Tony Curtis swaggered without shame, and Elizabeth Taylor jetted in and out. For star allure this was not vintage Cannes; but for films, by and

Over-dubbed SALIF KEITA has one of the most compelling voices in black Africa. Yet he is white an albino born to black parents, which still carries a There were many other

heavy stigma in most African countries. Poor eyesight caused him to abandon his training as a teacher and his high-ranking family in Mali never approved of his decision to become a musician. These struggles have turned him into a cathartic performer whose passionate, high voice at times sighs. screams and wails. He evokes the tragedy of genera-

> the traditional minstrels who recorded the history of a people who trace their ancestry back to the 13th century. Not that this was always apparent from Keita's London appearance. The range of his recorded work was submerged by a highoctane performance which initially excited but eventual-

tions of West Africa in the

style of the Manding griots.

ly sounded one-paced.

A strong reggae feel was provided by a rhythm section which was intent on sounding like Sly and Robbie, the powerhouse of the early recordings by Bob Marley and the Wailers. This was exhilarating on songs such as Dakan-fe and

Nyanyana but after several

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Salif Keita Festival Hall

numbers, one desired some light and shade

Keita himself had set the tone when he invited the audience to rise to their feet after only the second number. It was a simple way of grappling with a problem which has seen great African artists such as Hugh Masekela and Manu Dibango struggle to ignite this soul-less venue,

The audience remained on its feet throughout as Keita sang most of his recent Folon album, including the excellent Africa and Mandijou, which showcased the Islamic influence on Keita's voice.

By the encore, the singer was pulling members out of the audience so that, in a nightmare for the security, more than 50 people ended

up dancing on stage. Only with the second encore did Keita offer us a chillout zone, with a traditional and brooding version of the title track from Folon. We could have done with more.

NIGEL WILLIAMSON

POP: Warm welcomes for a traditional, no-holds-barred folk experience, and a singer-songwriter's comeback

ike Clannad, the Irish band currently touring in celebration of its silver jubilee. Altan hails from the Gaelic-speaking Gweeore district of coastal Donegal. But this six-piece act, fronted by vocalist and fiddle player Mairead Ni Mhaonaigh, demonstrates no ambition to update the ancient music of the area, or to dilute it to modern tastes. During a 13-year recording career, most of it with the independent label Green Linnet, the band has offered instead the full-on, no-holds-barred traditional folk experience — a mostly rollicking, but occasionally mournful blend of jigs, reels and hompipes, propelled frequently by the

Purist's view of **Ireland**

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symbiotic fiddling of Ni Mhaonaigh and her musical partner Ciaran Tourish.

While a rather more pretty and self-conscious interpretation of Ireland's musical past

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is proving massively saleable worldwide, it is unusual to find so uncompromising an approach as that favoured by Altan receiving the enthusiastic backing of a major record company. But though a new album, Blackwater, marks the group's debut on Virgin, it is still a purist's dream. And plugged assiduously here, it also delighted a capacity audi-ence that was stirred suffi-ciently to whoop encouragement.

For the most part, small medleys of tunes presented together allowed the band time to build up a momentum of sound, vast yet always precise, that tumbled relentlessly onwards to a close. There were instances of quiet emotion too, however: Dermot Byrne's melancholic playing of the accordion, for instance, and A Tune For Frankie, Ni Mhaonaigh's elegiac tribute to the celebrated flute player Frankie Kennedy, a founder member of Altan and also her husband, who died of cancer in 1994. Reassuring then that, on the same evening that the tourist-friendly tones of Eimear Quinn won Ireland the Eurofest for the third time in four years, an altogether more authentic take on the traditional should be so warm-

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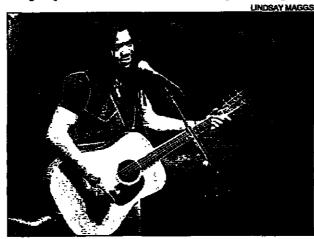
One reason to listen

ast December a record seen by some as just another Tracy Chapman album took a modest bow on Billboard's US chart. It may have been her first set in three years, but wasn't this yesterday's woman?

Fanfares never sounded and bells never rang, but this week Chapman's New Beginning moves to No 8 on that survey while the single, Give Me One Reason, is two places even higher in the magazine's Hot 100, giving the Cleveland-born

Tracy Chapman Empire, W12

performer easily her biggest success since her multi-platinum, Grammy-winning debut. Thus invigorated, Chap-man has headed out on a European itinerary which concluded with her first UK show in four years. Any fears about expired memories of that fantastically successful self-titled record of eight years ago and



Tracy Chapman blows away the cobwebs in front of an ecstatic Shepherds Bush crowd after a long absence

its 1989 follow up, Crossroads, were dispelled inside a bulg-

ing Empire.

Notices informed us that Chapman had "requested a non-smoking venue for to-night's show". This did indeed become an admirably pollution-free corner of Shepherds Bush, if only for the duration of her long performance. Such strictures demonstrate the tight rein she still keeps on a show and an audience. The introspective style and earnest lyricism are intact. But this was a home crowd, with her all the way on mutually fond memories such as Baby Can I Hold You and Fast Car.

On her newer work, such as the current album's title song and its US hit, Chapman lets her dreadlocks flow a little more loosely, and Give Me One Reason had an infectiously funky blues groove to it. But it was not until the encore, and a positively hedonistic cover of Proud Mary, that she really seemed to let herself off the leash. For all the exemplary musical conscientiousness that had gone before, it cast her in new, brighter colours. Like seeing the head girl necking after school.

PAUL SEXTON

Not quite an Archie to rival Larry's

MICHAEL PENNINGTON, star of classical theatre and embodier of heroes from Oedipus to Hamlet, is now to be seen telling shabby jokes, tap dancing and generally going to seed in once-grand seaside towns, shacking up in boarding establishments where standards are slipping. It is an intriguing if not exactly entertaining notion: Pennington turning into Archie Rice.

Of course, John Osborne's crumbling music-hall comedian, immortalised by Olivier on film, was never a laughing matter. Archie is down at heel and out of date. His one-liners are dying in 1950s Britain, where the Empire is on the rocks and the younger generation, including his university-educated daughter and quiffed son, are increasingly hip. Sharing digs with his aged father and a wife for whom THEATRE

The Entertainer Watermill, Newbury

he no longer cares, Archie is harbouring years of pent-up disappointment. Unable to stop cracking jokes even at home, he ultimately has a breakdown on stage.

Pennington is not, as yet, fully at home in the part. His Archie lapses into rather too mellifluous standard pronunciation yet those soft, middle-class tones surfacing between the cockney and the jokepukka remind us of the minor publicschool past from which Archie has fallen and underline his instability, the con-

founding of the private man with his professional masks.

Physically, Pennington's transforma-tion is fine. He fidgets restlessly or slumps silently in his father's worn little sitting room, filled with black cynicism. Up against the footlights, doling out feeble punchlines, he hunches forward under his bowler hat, flaps his white-gloved hands, freezes a grin. That said, his vaudeville act could be sharper, with

more stress showing through. Stephen Rayne's cast have not quite settled into a frazzled family. The political arguments feel slightly stiff, although Osborne's depiction of stale relationships and screaming rows are still startling and still strike a chord.

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"Walter Thompson says it is the "dream brief" -how to restore the reputation of solicitors, possibly the group held in lowest public esteem, barring politicians and journalists. Last week JWT was the advertising agency picked to devise a plan to lift lawyers out of the mire: the first such campaign to promote the whole profession since the ill-fated -Mr Whatsisname" advertisements in the 1970s.

The campaign is the baby of Martin Mears, president of the Law Society, who feels the society has done little in recent years to promote solicitors or combat a bad press riddled with stories of lawyers running off with clients' money or legal aid abuse.

It is very dispiriting for solicitors to read this kind of story all the time," he says. The public blame the majority for the activities of a tiny minority. It's as if doctors were reading all the time about their colleagues molesting their patients. Solicitors need to see their activities promoted more positively."

Three top agencies were therefore asked to put up their ideas for a promotional campaign for solicitors. JWT will now work up detailed proposals, which may lead to a full-scale advertising campaign this autumn. Stephen Carter, JWT's managing director, says: We were given a very clear brief - identifying the reputational and commercial issues facing the solicitors' branch of the profession." The agency's research, he adds, has thrown up two problems: a decline in solicitors' reputation and a lack of recognition of their commercial contribu-

tion to society. So, many say, what's new? Shakespeare was not the first survey in which to capture public feeling about more than two the profession: "The first thing we do, let's kill all the lawyers." Walter Merricks, head of communications at the Law Society, says: "The image of solicitors has declined over the years, along with everyone in authority. Take bank managers - they used to be held in high esteem, but their reputation has not been enhanced by the way banks are now organised, and managers are not thought to wield much

Solicitors, however, faced another problem which does not apply to most of the medical profession: "Doctors and nurses are still seen as angels of mercy. One reason is that for the most part, they are





is just as well. Last week Sir

Tim Bell, the leading PR guru.

was called in by the society to

advise on another potential

campaign over legal aid re-

forms. He told the society that

its standing was poor among

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But any advertising campaign must grapple with a paradox. While people have a poor view of the profession as a whole, they have high re-gard, generally, for their own solicitor. This individual respect is not translated to solicitors en masse

of the Law Society's research and policy planning, cites a 1994 Law Society thirds of clients said their own solproachable, efficient and competent - the opposite of American which

John Jenkins, head

showed that those who recently used a lawyer thought worse of them. But the problem, he says, is that solicitors tend to be a "distress purchase": people often go to a solicitor at a time of a traumatic life event such as moving home, divorce, a criminal trial or compensation for injury. They do not see them as general advisers. People also choose a solicitor chiefly by personal recommendation.

So the benefits of any largescale campaign are questionable, he says, unless it provides a platform that can be used by individual solicitors". In some cases that will mean a change in attitude: the

most off-putting factor about solicitors, the survey found. was fear of cost: 45 per cent thought fees too high, and 40 per cent that solicitors People were mainly after their money. respect

What, then, can a E3 million genertheir own ic campaign for the profession achieve? solicitor, The history of promoting solicitors is but not mixed. A series of TV commercials others run by Riley Advertising in Glasgow for the Law Society

of Scotland from 1991 for three years was a hit with the public. The jokey ads bore the slogan: 'lt's never too soon to call a solicitor." But many in the profession thought it demeaning and the campaign was called off. Similarly, the Mr Whatsisname campaign in England, featuring a barrackroom lawyer offering bad advice to his mates, was criticised by many and then collapsed in farce when a solicitor

changed his name to Mr must he believes, run for two Whatsisname by deed poll. or three years to have results. Sue Stapely, chief Law Soci-"It's the drip-drip effect." This

ety press officer, says: "The problem is that advertising campaigns, naturally, are aimed at the public - but solicitors see them as demeaning. They view them as if they were the target audience. So it ends in tears." Instead, the society has sought to promote specific services, such as its accident line for personal injury claims, and its "TransAction" campaign for conveyancing standards.

hat is different now, though, is the broad consensus that the image of solicitors badly needs a boost. Ironically, many attribute this current poor standing to Mr Mears himself, whose idea the campaign is. He accepts a link. "I was elected to carry out a revolution, and that cannot be done quietly, without argument or resentment." But, he says, it is in the interests of his opponents to exaggerate the infighting and depict all as worse than it is. The noise is being made by people we have

Mr Mears accepts there is no quick fix. Any campaign

Suffering in the cause of justice

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arlier this month, the Croydon magis-trates convicted Manthew Simmons of using threatening words and behav-iour at a football match at Selhurst Park in January 1995. The magistrates accepted the evidence of witnesses who had heard Simmons, a Crystal Palace supporter, shout crude abuse at, and make offensive gestures towards, the Manchester United player, Eric Cantona. This had provoked an attack by Cantona on Simmons which led to the footballer being convicted of assault, ordered to perform community service and suspended from the sport for eight months.

The magistrates rejected Simmons's evidence that he had not sworn at Cantona, but had engaged in "banter" like "any normal lan". Unlike any normal defendant, Simmons reacted to his conviction by attacking the prosecutor, Jeffrey McCann, as

the lawyer was asking the court to ban Simmons from attending football grounds for

Simmons grabbed Mr McCann round the neck, at-tempted to haul him over a table, and tried to kick him. As police overpowered the defendant, he shouted out: "I am innocent, I promise, I swear on the Bible," and informed the occupants of the press bench that they were "scum". Fortunately, Mr McCann was not seriously injured. With a degree of fairness that characterises a good prosecutor. Mr McCann told the court that he had no intention of pressing charges against Simmons. For the Selhurst Park offence, Simmons was

fined £500, ordered to pay £200 costs and banned from football grounds for 12 months. For his attack on Mr McCann, Simmons was sentenced to seven days' imprisonment for contempt of court. Because an offender only has to serve half of a short sentence, and because prisoners cannot be released from custody at weekends, Simmons in fact served less than 24 hours of his sentence.

Advocacy can be a dangerous profession for reasons additional to the stress of responding to the conflicting demands of clients, opponents and judges. One of the functions of the law of contempt is to protect advocates from the aggression of opposing parties and witnesses whom they have cross-examined. (Lawyers are normally left to deal as best they are able with the anger or disappointment of their own clients.)

On occasion, advocates have been seriously injured for performing their professional duties. In 1899, Fernand Labori, the lawyer acting for Alfred Dreyfus at his second court martial, was shot and badly wounded on his way to the courtroom. In 1988, a man whose

family had been murdered by the Nazis threw acid in the face of an Israeli defence lawyer who was representing John Demjanjuk, accused, and eventually acquitted, of mass murder as "Ivan the Terrible" at Treblinka concentration camp. In such circumstances, the criminal law provides adequate general sanctions.

Where aggression in court disrupts proceedings, but causes no serious injury, then the matter is usually dealt with by punish-ment for contempt of court. In 1971, the Appellate Court of Illinois dismissed an appeal by a defendant who punched the Assistant State Attorney on the nose when he was convicted of armed robbery and sentenced to four years' imprisonment. He received a further six months' imprisonment for contempt of court. Borrie and Lowe's The Law of Contempt reports that in 1979, in the

Court of Appeal, a litigant in person who had lost his case hit opposing counsel on the head with a carafe of water and for this serious contempt he was imprisoned for three

months".

The problem faced by the magistrates at Croydon was that under Section 12 of the Contempt of Court Act 1981, the maximum period for which they may send a person to prison for contempt by interrupting the proceedings or otherwise misbehaving in court is one month. (The 1974 Phillimore Report, which recommended that this power be conferred on magistrates, suggested that the maximum sentence should be seven days.) In this context, magis-

trates do not have their general power to imprison offenders for up to six months. So even if Simmons had received the maximum sentence, he would have been released from prison after two weeks.

immons's case demonstrates that the limited powers of magistrates are inadequate. Parliament should confer power on the magistrates' court to imprison for contempt for up to six months. A physical attack by a defendant in a criminal trial on a prosecutor performing his or her duties is a serious contempt even if no injuries are caused. The proper administration of justice demands that people like Simmons are made to understand that if they cannot control their aggression in court, and if they endanger the welfare of those who are enforcing the law of the land, they will lose their liberty for longer than a few days. Simmons is very fortunate to have escaped a substantial penalty for a

professional foul. • The author is a practising barrister and a Fellow

Bang to rights

LORD Irvine of Lairg, the Shadow Lord Chancellor, last week restated his support for incorporating a Bill of Rights into UK law. The only alternative, he said, was to make judges arbiters of our rights. But the "central difficulty is that, while the fundamental importance of human rights is almost always universally recognised, the nature and content of the rights is not". In his view, the protection of rights could best be secured if they were "crystallised in a democratic Bill of Rights".

Lord Irvine was speaking after Sir John Laws, the High Court judge, delivered an erudite address on the Constitution: Power and Principle on the occasion of the annual Misheon lecture sponsored by Mishcon de Reya, solicitors to the Princess of Wales.

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four rival companies.

ation with the the University of East Anglia and - among others -- the Higher Education Careers Services (CSU). publishers of the Prospects graduate recruitment directoees from two law firms were among the winners Martipresented with rose bowls, two new awards for the the most successful teams among the big and small law firms

• Lawyers are expected to be out in force on Thursday for the Wilde Sapte City of

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Cherie Booth. QC: new post

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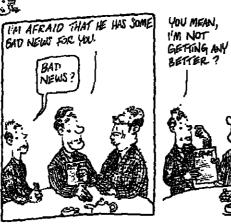
Tony awards NEXT year's Bar conference might just feature a visit from Britain's next Prime Minister.

Cherie Booth, QC, is hard at work helping the Bar Council to organise this year's conference in her capacity as vicechairwoman of the events organising committee. By tradition, the committee's vice chairman or woman one year takes the chair the next. If Ms Booth takes on that job, a supportive appearance by her husband must be on the cards. After all, she turns up to his conferences.

within the strict dress code. She says: "A tight brief often means you can be more Take one client, Sheila Simison of Clyde & Co. who credits Ms Khaliq with transforming her image. Ms Khaliq says: "Every time she comes in wanting a sober black suit, I try to ensure she leaves

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QC, urges the Bar Council to rethink its plan to defer entry to the Bar

he moment of "call" to the Bar is the profession's public recognition that a person is qualified to prac-tise as a barrister. The Bar Council wants to change the way new entrants to the Bar are "called" and to extend the qualifying period. Under the proposals, aspiring barristers will now not only have to pass the exams and eat the dinners. but complete a period of pupillage or traineeship in chambers — as well. At present he or she passes the exams, eats the dinners, and is then eligible for Call - but cannot appear in court and so make money until after the first six or 12 months of compulsory pupillage.

Bar Council decisions are usually unanimous. This one was reached only by a majority of 30 to 19, with five abstentions; in the teeth of strenuous opposition from, among others, the Middle Temple and the Attorney-General. The decision, if implemented, will have an unfortunate effect on Bar students from Commonwealth countries who come here to qualify as barristers, beore returning to their own countries to practise. More importantly, it may be catastrophic for the many students who want to obtain a legal job in industry.

Why the change? The Bar has just extended the number of institutions that can teach Bar students, and is now worried the profession will be flooded with too many barristers for whom there will be too little work - the uncertain financial rewards have not prevented some glamour from attaching to the Bar as a profession.

The new decision disregards several thousand employed barristers. There was no prior consultation with their associations and the Bar Association for Commerce, Finance and Industry (BACFI) was also unrepresented on the working party on Deferral of Call. It could mean a slow path for the recruitment of barristers, rather than solicitors, into company legal departments. There are insufficient pupillages available even for those who wish to practise at the Bar. The



If the wig fits: a barrister in the making gets ready to work, but will there be enough jobs to go round?

report of the working party of February 4 recognises that for employed barristers at least, ... the Bar will not be willing to provide a sufficient number of pup-

illages in chambers to accommodate them". The suggested alternative, that they should obtain pupillages with employed barristers and so qualify for Call, simply will not work. There never have been more than a handful of employers willing to pay students to learn about the law in their legal

departments and at their expense.
Pupillage — going around with
an established barrister to the courts and sitting with him in his chambers doing paper work — is very important for those who wish to practise in the courts. It teaches the novice the tricks of the trade how to cross-examine a witness; judge. But it is of little relevance to barristers who do not go into private practice.

I have been a pupil, a pupil master six times, and then, as chief legal adviser to Lloyds Bank, an employer of lawyers myself. For any young person who has always wanted to advise ICI or Unilever, it is certainly not essential, and may actually be a waste of time and money. He or she will be able to get along very well without knowing how to find the Robing Room at West London County Court or the practical application of every aspect of the Criminal Evidence Act.

Far worse is the stark fact that there are not nearly enough barristers qualified and willing to become pupil masters. In the year to last October, 1.593 students were called

how (and how not) to address a to the Bar, but the Bar Council estimates that there were only about 800 pupil masters available for them and 400 vacancies as tenants in chambers. What happens to the rest? They used to be able to get a job, either because that was what they wanted or because they had to. Not so in the future.

A further complication is that the new proposals appear to discriminate indirectly against minority groups. The Bar Council is worried about it. Niall Morison, the chief executive, says that the Bar Council has instructed leading counsel to advise it on "any question of indirect discrimination as a result of the decision".

From the point of view of employed barristers, of whom 2,483 pay subscriptions to the Bar Council, hoping it will "represent their

interests", it will be a blessing if Deferral of Call is never implemented. Fortunately, it may not be. The Bar Council maintained that its proposal did not require approvat from the Lord Chancellor's Advisory Committee (ACLEC) under the Schedule 4 procedure. ACLEC did not agree, and said so in a letter last December.

After a Bar Council meeting last Saturday was told counsel had advised the proposal was discriminatory, it will now be hard-pushed to give satisfactory answers to ACLEC and has arranged a special meeting on June 8 to try to find a way out. There is still hope for barristers in business; perhaps even that they are no longer an endangered species.

● The author is vice-president of BACFI and is in private practice at the Bar.

Sport lawyers have to tackle serious issues

A whole new ball game

ith so much money now in the sports industry. V V everyone wants their slice of the action. Athletes, clubs and governing bodies are battling it out with each other and with the broadcasters, agents, sponsors and marketing men.

There is no such thing as "sports law" but there are plenty of sports lawyers; and many of them were in London last Wednesday for a conference on "player power".

Organised by the sports law firm

Townleys, and bringing together such luminaries as the Brussels firm Forrester Norall & Sutton, and leading US sports lawyers Wendel, Chritton & Parks, the conference

embodied the im-pending state of crisis within sport. If these were all straightforward business transactions conducted under normal UK. US and European law, it might be fairly clearcut. The problem is that sport genuinely creates circumstances which, many consider, are ill-served by mainstream law.

The so-called Bosman case (in which Jean-Marc Bosman went to the European Court of Justice to

oppose the restrictions on European players imposed by Uefa) has plunged sports administrators and their legal advisers into consternation. No one is sure any longer about some of the fundamentals which structured the way commercial sport operates.

Bosman, however, is just the start. Charles Woodhouse of Farrer & Co, who advises a number of governing bodies, be-lieves that the International Olympic Committee was basically right io require athletes participating in Atlanta to waive their normal legal rights and subject themselves, in effect, to the jurisdiction of the 'Olympic courts".

He says: "The problem is that if, after the Olympics, athletes were to sue their governing bodies it is likely to cost millions and that is all money lost to sport. What has been proposed for at Atlanta is in the best interests of the Olympic movement at large.

especially those who represent governing bodies—are sympathet ic. Philip Stinson of Collyer-Bristow even speculates upon giving the Olympic Games the status of a State complete with its

courts and legal system. However, what the IOC wants this summer may not have force in law. Those lawyers who act for individual sports personalities are already deeply concerned about the "restraint of trade" which they claim many governing bodies wish to impose. Entrusting governing bodies with even more absolute powers would be entirely unac-

> Stephen Townley, a British sport law expert, has argued for some time that the challenge for sports administrators is that they are now running big businesses, not amateur sideshows. Managed correctly they can be highly successful. Badly administered and they will switch off sponsors, broadcasters and the public alike.

Nick, Bitel of the law firm Max Bitel Greene is a leading

sports administrator (chief executive of the London Marathon) and acts for several individual athletes and major events. He also once owned a league football club, so he can see the issues from several angles. He has been particularly exercised by the doping cases in athletics where he feels governing bodies' rules are so stark as to be clumsy. He says: "Where you have draconian consequences for drug offences you are inviting bitter legal fights. There are other ways of handling these issues which are going to be better for the sport in the long run."

There is no question that if sport grows increasingly commercial the awyers will have a bigger part to play. However, there is now a danger that badly advised sports administrators may tie themselves and their sports up in legal knots unless some of the major issues are solved soon.

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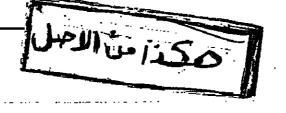
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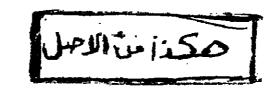
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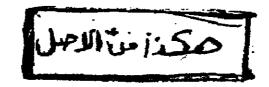
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Divine talent touched a generation

Simply the Best brought down by mere mortals

cast on Sunday to celeburthday this week. Michael Parkinson, the presenter who covered some football in his early journalistic days, suggested that Best was a remarkable man. The truth, and the difficulty for Best in the failed attempt to handle his meteoric rise to fame, is that he was exceptional only when playing football.

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Venture

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The rash of reminiscences provoked by the birthday have dwelt too much on the wine and the women, too little on the mesmeric ability that enraptured the game for six seasons from 1964 to 1970. Best's 115 goals in 290 league. FA Cup and European Cup matches during that spell hint at only a fraction of the magic that he gave to an adoring

public, young and old.

Thousands of footballers around the world have been unable, over the years, to cope with the temptation of drink and the attentions of fawning, exploitative and available women. The unhappy Best, whose emergence, like that of Maradona, from a humble background lifted him unprotected into a milieu where he found himself without sound advice or true friends, drowned in the maelstrom of adulation and Bacchanalian opportunity, where the only true regular partner was

He was the ultimate hostage to fortune, betrayed and even destroyed by the pop-culture environment that he adorned and helped to create: the simultaneous libertarian era

IN MONTE CARLO

THE French newspapers

Olivier Panis had been on the

winner's rostrum when they

hit the streets here yesterday morning. "Panis? Unbeliev-able". L'Equipe said. "Panis

the surprise" was the headline

in two others. As he flicked

through them in his Monaco

apartment, David Coulthard

was still trying to get over his



David Miller says a human tragedy off the pitch must not detract from a true genius on it

Stones, unrestricted wages and free love. Yet, with a football at his feet, Best shares an equal place with the other five supreme players of my lifetime -Matthews, Di Stefano, Pelé, Cruyff and Maradona. There have been many other great players, such as Finney,

Puskas, Garrincha, Eusebio, Chariton and Beckenbauer, but the supreme six did things that were unimaginable until you saw them being

We should offer sympathy.

'He was the ultimate hostage to fortune'

not condemnation, that Best and Maradona, confronted by commercial glamour and gargantuan media greed, have succumbed to mortal vulnerability. Commentators have leeringly, almost enviously, talked of how many girls Best has bedded. We should rather remember how many full backs he buried.

Best came perhaps closest of all to perfection because he was an untouchable winger, the antelope who defies the lion, and simultaneously scored dazzling goals, again

Williams or a Ferrari than to a Ligier. He drove a brilliant

race and I know from experi-

ence that he does not make

many mistakes, but still, you

can't help thinking what

Coulthard finished a close

second to Panis in the Monaco

grand prix here on Sunday,

robbed only by the French-man's quicker pit-stop mid-

might have been."

and again. He was fantasy brought to life, and performed with such bravery and such flourish as to seem insolently

Danny Blanchflower, as shrewd an analyst as any, conceded that Best's arrogance was fundamenta! to his performance, and judged him supreme because "he offers the greatest surprise to mind and eye, the more refined and unexpected range ... with utter disregard of physical danger". There was no aspect of the game of which he was not master: creating, heading, scoring with either foot, even tackling, slight though he

He could ride the harshest tackles with uncanny balance and his changes of direction at close quarters defied understanding. "It seems impossible to hurt him," Joe Mercer said. Malcolm Allison's opinion was that "Best in possession is second only to Pelé". On one occasion, when

Manchester United were playing West Bromwich Albion at home, Best scored a goal that, surprisingly, is not among his own chosen favourites of all time. Finding himself confronted by a packed defence in the West Bromwich penalty area, he started dribbling away from goal. Suddenly, he turned in an instant and drove the ball from an acute angle past an astonished goalkeeper. Someone in the press box

him in the perfect position to

Hill and Jean Alesi. Never-

theless, Coulthard's second

consecutive podium finish

confirmed the steady recovery

of his McLaren-Mercedes

team and shot him to the fore

of early-season speculation

The young Scot is used to

the rumour mill that feeds

Formula One all year round,

about driver movements.

probably have felt better to capitalise on the mechanical have finished second to a misfortunes suffered by the

Best came close to perfection as an untouchable winger who scored dazzling goals

pedantically asked what was the time in the match. A colleague poignantly observed: "Never mind the time, just make a note of the date."

To the end of his curtailed serious career, aged only 27, Best remained at heart a boy, joyously ruled by his love for the game, by the intoxication of his own skills and his longing for the next game. It was the one way he truly

having switched from Wil-

year. Last weekend, rumours

in the chaotic Monaco pad-

dock suggested that his own

renaissance was progressing

so rapidly that he might be a

target for the Stewart grand

prix team that will enter

Coulthard was part of Jack-

ie Stewart's famous "staircase

of talent" when he raced for

him in Formula 3000. Both

Stewart and his engine suppli-

ers. Ford, are thought to be

Formula One next year.

expressed himself, and the expression was often poetic. Sadly, he never matured,

emotionally. A combination of physical abuse by frustrated opponents, the laxity of referees and his own petulance on the field, plus his emotional frailty off the field in conjunction with the managerial turmoil at Old Trafford after Sir Matt Busby's retirement as manager in 1969, brought the

keen to try to lure Coulthard

end of the season, but the

stumbling block may be the

so impressive in his recent

races for the team. If McLaren

continue to improve with him,

then he is unlikely to want to

move to an untested operation.

Monaco that Flavio Briatore.

the Benetton managing direc-tor, was making initial inqui-

ries with other drivers about

the possibility of them replac-

ing Alesi later this season.

Briatore is thought to have

spoken to Eddie Irvine, of

Ferrari, Jos Verstappen, the

Arrows driver, and Sauber's

highly-rated German, Heinz-

Harald Frentzen. Alesi's skil-

ful drive here may have

Speculation was also rife at

liams to his new team last away from McLaren at the

premature decline of a glorious gift. His first wife, Angela. mother of the son with whom he remains in contact, has said that she could not look after two babies, and the older one had to go. It is a harsh summation of a player with

divine abilities. Any caring sportsman will understand how Best was too brilliant for his own good. A genius with-Coulthard's renaissance fuels grand prix rumour mill

> Englishman, is struggling to find his feet with the Irish The machinations and manoeuvring for the placing of drivers next season may also bring bad news, of sorts, for Hill. It seems almost certain that Ralf Schumacher, the younger brother of the double world champion, who is racing in the Japanese Formula 3000 championship, will force his way into Formula One next season, possibly with

Sauber. One Schumacher has

been bad enough, but two may

be too much for Hill to bear.

Benetton. Martin Brundle, the

Farrell set to take on captain's role for **England**

By Christopher Irvine

ANDREW FARRELL, 21 next week, is the favourite to take over the captaincy of the England rugby league team today from Shaun Edwards, his Wigan club captain. Ed-wards was omitted from the squad for the visit of France to Gateshead in the European championship on June 12.

Farrell became the younges Great Britain forward when. at 18, he made his international debut against New Zealand in 1993. His sound pack leadership and temperament are qualities that Phil Larder, the England coach, will want to test, with Britain's autumn tour of New Zealand, Papua

New Guinea and Fiji in mind. Babbie Goulding, of St Helens, is another candidate for the captaincy. However, with the possibility that Edwards might be recalled at scrum half for the Wales game, in Cardiff on June 26, Farrell is the settled and younger alter-native, ahead of two other stalwart claimants, Daryl Powell and Karl Harrison.

Richard Webster, of Salford, the former Swansea and Wales rugby union forward, is the latest player to agree to play union for part of the winter. He will link up at Orrell next season, provided insurance arrangements can be made, with Frano Botica, of Castleford, and David Lyon, of St Helens.

More intriguing possibili-ties on cross-code deals have been raised by Wigan, ahead of the second challenge match with Bath at Twickenham on Saturday, with an agreement that their players can now play both codes. Jack Robinson, the Wigan chairman, said: "It will be better if the Super League is extended next year to give us more fixtures; in the meantime, we will be prepared to let players go to union for a couple of months."

Salford yesterday signed David Myers, the former Britain wing, for an undisclosed fee from Bradford Bulls, who are near to completing the purchase of Stuart Spruce, the Widnes and Britain full back.



Farrell: right qualities

Absentees to face disciplinary hearing JULIE BRADBURY, Joanne

Wright and Simon Archer face punishment from the International Badminton Federation (IBF) for their refusal to play for their country in the Thomas and Uber Cups world team finals in Hong Kong this week.

The actions of the three leading England players, who preferred to remain at home and prepare for the Olympic Games, will be discussed later this week by the IBF's disciplinary committee. England's women were beaten 5-0 by Korea in the Uber Cup

Amateur entry

Golf: Sergio Garcia, the 16-year-old Spaniard who recenty played all four rounds of the Spanish Open, is among players from 21 countries contesting the Amateur Championship at Tumberry from June 3-8. The winner will book his place in the Open in July and the Masters next

April.

Lisa Dermott, the holder, meets Pamela Chugg in the semi-final of the Welsh wom-en's championship at Tenby today. Vicki Thomas and Eleanor Pilgrim contest the other semi-final.

Second fiddle

Tennis: Thomas Muster, the holder, has been seeded secand behind the world No I. Pete Sampras, for the French Open, which starts next Mon-day. Steffi Graf, the defending champion, is the women's top seed, ahead of her co-world No I, Monica Seles, Seles, a three-time French Open winner, will play her first European tournament since a spectator stabbed her in Hamburg three years ago when she appears in the Spanish Open starting in Madrid today.

Testing case

Athletics:Paul Edwards, the British shot putter who was banned for four years after two positive drugs tests in 1994, has had his case referred International Amateur Athletic Association by the British Athletic Federation. Edwards has been seeking to have his case reopened, claiming new

Zanini leads

Cycling: Stefano Zanini took the lead in the Tour of Italy yesterday but was outsprinted at the end of the 194-kilometre third stage from Messolongi to Ioanina, Greece, by his Italian compatriot, Giovanni Lombardi. Zanini was third and second in the first two

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

By ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

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Contract: Four Hearts by South. Lead: king of spades

By Philip Howard

LIMMA

MISKEN

a. A sea monster

b. A semitone c. A logical impossibility

a. The titmouse

b. A stranger

c. To confuse

the hand looks easy - five tricks in each of hearts and clubs, and the ace of spades. At tricks two and three you cash two top hearts. When East turns out to have the guarded jack, you have to be careful about how you cross to dummy. Say you play a small club to the queen. You continue by taking the marked finesse in hearts and drawing the last trump, but now when you try the king of clubs the blockage means that you can't run the club suit, and so you

You win the ace of spades, and

have to go down. The solution is to lead the jack of clubs when you cross to dummy on the first round of clubs. If the suit is splitting 3-2, it doesn't matter what you do, but when East has the singleton ten or nine, that shows up

LATIMER

a. A non-speaking actor

b. An interpreter c. A grey-white watercolour

MEDIASTINUM

c. An umbel's corolla

a. A partition

b. An isthmus

when you later lay down the king. You can then bring in the suit by way of a finesse. ☐ Irving Rose died of a heart attack in Cape Town last Saturday, aged 58. He was one of Britain's leading international players for many years. and also won all the main domestic titles. But above all he was the most widely-liked bridge player I have met. ☐ For details of The Times

Midland Private Banking National Bridge challenge, contact the event organisers on 0181-942 9506 or write to: Britannic Building, Beverley Way, New Malden, Surrey, KT3 4PH; fax 0181-942 9569. ☐ Robert Sheehan writes on

bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday. WORD WATCHING

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KEENE on CHESS

By RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT

cxd4 Nxe4 Og5 Oh4 Rf6 Rg6 Rxg2 Rxe4 Re2+ 20 8b2 21 bxe4 22 h3 23 Kh1 Spanish Armada Although a significant chess power in the 16th century, with writers and players such as Ruy Lopez. Spain has hardly counted since then as one of the world's top chess-playing nations. This may be 27 Kxg2 28 Bg1 29 Kh1 30 Bt2 about to change. The home-grown Spanish grandmaster, Miguel Illescas, has notched up a sequence of fine victories over the past year White: Alexei Shirov

or so, while two former Soviet grandmasters, Valery Salov and Alexei Shirov, have made Spain The effect of this will not just be seen in a massively stronger Spanish representation at the chess Olympiad, but also in terms of a filtering down of chess Nf3 or a intering down of class expertise to younger generations. Today's games see Shirov in action with one win and one loss from the recently concluded Madrid tour-Be3 Nb3 nament. Shirov's win against Korchnoi is a game which displays Qd2 White: Viktor Korchnoi Black: Alexei Shirov Madrid, May 1996

English Opening 5 Nc3 6 bxc3 8 0-0 9 Ne1 Be6 Qd7 11 Ne3 12 Nd5 13 Qb3 Nexd5 Bf7 14 cxd5 15 c4 16 f3

Black: Boris Gelfand Madrid, May 1996 cxd4 N#6 a6 e5 Be6 Nbd7 b5

Bxd5 Rc8 Qc7 Nxb6 Ra8 17 Nc6 18 J4 9б h6 hxg5 Rxh3 Nxd5 Oxc6 20 Od3 21 Oxh3 22 bg6 23 gx7+ 24 0-0-0 25 Ot5 26 Qxg5+ Rc8 Ne3 White resigns ☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess

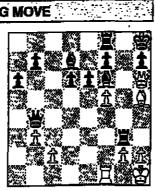
Monday to Friday in Sport and in

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

White to play. This position is from the game Tal — Platonov, Dubna 1974. Mikhail Tal was one of the great attacking players of all time. White can capture the black rook on g3, the black bishop on f6 with check or the black rook on f8 with check. However, he found some-thing better. What did he play?

Solution on page 45



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1.8. Richards, Joint Administrative Receivers

Walsh runs into resistance from Batty and Shine

ionship match for two sea-

sons, was at his rampaging

best and plunged Somerset.

pursuing a target of 250 in 49

overs, into complete disarray. He claimed five wickets for 69,

forced two batsmen to retire

hurt and bowled 21 of the 47

overs Gloucestershire actually

delivered (two were lost to a

ends to take advantage of the

breeze, Walsh produced count-

less snorting deliveries. One of

them sent Bowler onto the

back foot to fend a ball off his

face but he lost sight of the ball, which found a way

TABLE

SOMERSET: First Invings 253 (S Lee 65, R J Harden 54, R J Turner 50)

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short rain break).

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BRISTOL SCOREBOARD

Surrey (12) . Durham (17)

West Indian.

BRISTOL (final day of four): Gloucestershire (9pts) drew with Somerset (9)

FEW matches can have had such a damatic final day as this one. There were times when either side looked sure to lose — Gloucestershire at the start of the day, Somerset at the end - and yet, in the end. to the immense surprise of both teams and the largest crowd of this rainy and wind-swept match, neither did.

With Courtney Walsh, the lion-hearted Gloucestershire captain, charging in from one end, Jeremy Batty and Kevin Shine, the Somerset ninthwicket pair, coolly played out the final 12 overs of the match. Had they got out during most of that period, Somerset would have lost but, as Smith bowled the final over, Peter Bowler raced unto the ground from hospital — where Walsh had sent him with a gashed forehead — and was padded up in time to face the last three deliveries if required.

Batty, who scored an unbeaten 36 from 56 balls, took the brunt of Walsh's hostility but Shine played a considerable part. Less gifted with the bat than his partner, he faced 30 deliveries with aplomb, once he had overcome his

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 263 (7 HiCHancock 89, RIC Russell 63, Silice 4 for

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between grille and visor to initial unease at facing the strike him on the forehead. Walsh, in his first champ-

Bowler was led away with blood streaming from his wound and there seemed no prospect of him taking any further part in the match. At that point, Somerset were 44 for two, with Lathwell and Hayhurst out to indifferent shots, although Lathwell had stroked the ball around convincingly for his 29 and apared capable of taking his

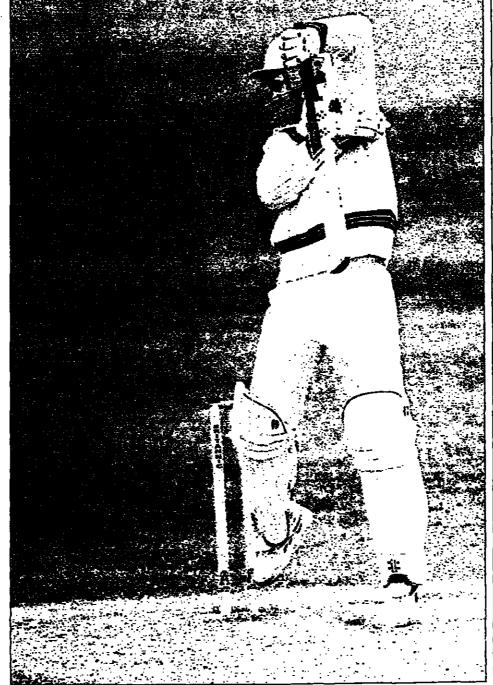
side briskly to their target. From this point on, it was not cricket for the fainthearted. Within eight more overs, Somerset were 70 for four and another man had also retreated from the fray. Holloway was leg-before to Ball, Harden fended Walsh to Wright at leg gully and Turner, after two crunching blows to his left hand, had sought refuge in the pavilion.

The heart seemed to go out of Somerset. Lee was legbefore to a superb yorker from Walsh but there were some tame dismissals as Walsh threatened to sweep his side to victory. Turner returned at the fall of the sixth wicket but soon turned a ball gently into the hands of square leg. Then came the unlikely heroics of Batty, who also required treatment after a blow from Walsh. and Shine.

Gloucestershire had begun the day with four wickets in hand and only 140 runs to the good. Overnight rain prevent-ed a start before noon but Gloucestershire then sold every one of their wickets dearly and had added 109 runs by mid-afternoon. Somerset sorely missed Mustaq Ahmed. Cunliffe was virtually immobilised by a damaged knee but soldiered on with a runner for another 43 balls. The last-wicket plundering of Smith and Walsh, which

yielded 30 runs in five overs,

altered the mood, seemingly



Bowler, the Somerset batsman, is struck on the forehead by a delivery from Walsh

Champions to pay friendly visit

A PARTY of Sri Lankan cricketers, led by for English spectators to see the Sri Lankans Arjuna Ranatunga and including the majority of the players who won the World Cup in March, is to make a brief unofficial visit to England next week and will play two exhibition matches (Simon Wilde writes). Sri Lankan teams will take part in a festival of cricket at Bromley, Kent, on Bank Holiday Monday and meet Chris Cowdrey's XI comprising 11 overseas Test players - at

Bristol four days later. The fixtures will be two of the few chances at close quarters in the near future. They are scheduled to make short official visits in 1998 and 2002, for one and two Test matches

respectively. A campaign to lobby the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) to grant Sri Lanka a three-match Test series in England has gained the support of 100 Members of Parliament, but the TCCB argues that its international programme is firmly established for the next ten years.

Patel rounds on Essex to secure victory

ILFORD (final day of four): Kent (24pts) bt Essex (5) by an innings and 66 runs

THE combination of Min Patel and Carl Hooper on a worn pitch proved all too much for Essex. Even while Stuart Law and Darren Robinson were taking their overnight third-wicket partnership from 99 to 157 the writing was on the wall.

The odd ball was turning sharply, occasionally leaping off a length, and how well the third-wicket pair had played was underlined by the collapse that followed.

Having started the day needing 173 to avoid an innings defeat. Essex lost their last seven wickets for 21 runs in the course of \$3 balls served up by Patel and Hooper.

The suddenness of it all was unedifying, especially after Robinson's 75 and Law's dashing century - his fourth threefigure score in his past seven innings in championship and one-day cricket.

In no time, the three points available for a draw became an irrelevance. With the ball turning, one wondered why Patel persisted so long in bowling over the wicket to Law and Robinson. The orthodox left-arm spinner is usually wasting his time against a competent and experienced right-handed batsman. He forfeits any real chance of gaining a leg-before decision and a baisman can use his pad effectively as a second line of

With the morning nearly an hour old, Patel did get one decisivelypast Robinson's bat as the batsman tried to sweep without ensuring that his leg stump was covered. He instantly became more effective once he reverted to the round the wicket method, taking four more wickets, including that of the stalwart Law, as Essex crumpled. Patel finished with figures of six for 97 to add to his five in Lancashire's second

Law's technique. as Hooper's would have been in similar circumstances, was to dictate to the bowler by adroit footwork and a full, free swing of the bat. A straight six off Patel and 13 fours in his 115 testified to his unerring choice of the ball to hit during three hours and 20 minutes at the

His was the sixth wicket to fall - the fourth of the day and it needed a magnificent diving catch, off bat and pad. by Fulton at forward short-leg to end his resistance. By then brief appearances had been made by Paul Prichard, the Essex captain, and Ronnie

SCOREBOARD

G A Gooch c Hooper b Eafharn D D J Robinson b Patel N Hussain Ibw b Patel S G Law c Futton b Patel B I Beater of Alarch b Patel

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-12, 3-169, 4-197, 5-199, 6-208, 7-209, 8-214, 9-218 BOWLING: McCague 6-2-28-0; Eatham 5 3-5-1; Patel 37 3-8-97-6. Hooper 35-9-67-3 Ward 1-0-5-0; Presion 2-1-7-0. Umpires: B Leadbeater and V A Holder

Irani, the England Texaco Trophy fledgeling, Prichard survived a near return catch off Patel when he had made one, but lasted only a further three balls before being caught behind by Marsh. Irani's stay lasted seven balls but he had not scored when he pushed forward tentatively at Patel and edged a comfortable catch to Hooper in the gully.

As Hooper swept up the tail to give Kent their second championship victory, it became a question of whether it would be all over by lunch. It was, with a minute to spare.

Malcolm strikes with six of the best

CARDIFF SCOREBOARD

FALL OF WICKETS 1-48, 2-50 3-66 ± 157, 5-133 6-133 7-177 8-189 9-215

CARDIFF (final day of four): runs. Watkin took four wick-Derbyshire (22pts) bt Glamorgan (6) by 110 runs

WHATEVER his fallibilities, Devon Malcolm remains, at the age of 33, capable of bowling genuinely fast. Of the six wickets that he took yesterday, four came through beating some rather tentative batsmen for pace. Glamorgan, who needed 218 to win after scoring runs with alacrity in their first innings, barely managed to reach three

Malcolm's analysis of six for 52 was his best return for Derbyshire. That, in itself, is a surprise. His county might well have reckoned on him running through more sides than he has down the years, however keenly they have adhered to a policy of rotating their fast bowlers.

This, though, was not the occasion for admonishment. So effective were Malcolm and Harris, whose figures of four for 55 were the best of his career, that Cork, who has a bruised foot, did not have to bowl.

Not all of Derbyshire's cricket vesterday was so com-

the good, they lost their re- have stood up to a bowler of certain himself about what is maining nine wickets for 76 that pace. ets by virtue of keeping the ball up to the bat and gaining a little movement. Butcher, who had a fine all-round

match, took three. Glamorgan's slip catching. notably by Maynard, Croft and Morris, was of a high order. Metson, standing up to Butcher's lively fast medium. held a top-edged catch to remove Jones. This was highclass wicketkeeping, the more so when it is remembered that Alan Knott, to whom Metson looks for a recommendation to England's selectors, would not

DERBYSHIRE: First Immings 464 (C M Wells 185, J E Owen 105, A S Rollins 73, K M Knikken 51; R D 8 Croft 4 for 122, G P Butcher 4 for 28)

Second Innings

BOWLING: Watkin 18-2-61-4; Thomas 7-2-12-2; Kendrick 5-1-10-0; Croft 8-2-14-1; Butcher 9-3-90-3; Dale 4-2-5-0.

should have won. They were

unfortunate, perhaps, that Malcolm was refreshed by two stoppages for rain and hence did not tire during their second innings. Nor did Harris. The pitch may well have sweated under the covers on Sunday, giving the quicker bowlers something to work on, but these remained intrinsically decent batting conditions.

It is hard to say about Malcolm that he reserves his best for such-and-such a batsman because he can never be

GLAMORGAN: First Innings 379 for 5 dec (P A Cottey 135 not out, H Morris 90, G P Butcher 61 not out)

Second Innings

S P Butcher b Harris

B Croft b Malcolm Thomas c Krikken b Harris

S P James c Krikken b Harris ...

coming next, but there was no So. Glamorgan really doubt that the one that Maynard received first ball was the pick, in that it was quick, pitched on off stump and swung away. This may or may not have

had something to do with the fact that Maynard, the Glamorgan captain, has just been selected for England and that Malcolm has not. At one stage, Glamorgan

were three for four. Morris was leg-before leaving alone one from Harris, Dale was too late on his shot and, after Maynard was caught at the wicket, James edged an at-tempted force off the back

Butcher soon followed, looking to drive through mid-on. and, when Croft went, quite unable to cope with Malcolm's pace, it was 48 for six.

There was still the chance that rain would put paid to Malcolm; or, for that matter, Cottey, who made a century in the first innings. He deployed his hook-cum-tennis smash to good effect until he unwisely left alone a ball that clipped his leg stump. Kendrick played on, Metson was yorked first ball and only a merry last-wicket partnership held up Derbyshire.

By Michael Henderson

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottingnamshire (IIPis) Lancashire (9)

IT MAY not have been an act of unsurpassed heroism, but it was brave and selfless nevertheless. Jason Gallian. his right arm encased in plaster. blocked the last four balls of an eventful day to ensure that Lancashire, who began their second innings expecting to win this match, saved it.

Gallian, who had broken his right index finger in the morning when he missed a chance at slip off Afford's bat, now had to face Afford in his more familiar role as slow leftarm bowler. Holding the bat in his good left hand, and ignoring the attentions of the entire Nottinghamshire team crouched around him, he defended four balls, surviving a confident appeal for a catch at silly point off the

third. When he went to hospital in the morning Gallian could not have expected to rejoin the fray. Even Speak, who fin-ished unbeaten on 74, was unsure whether Gallian, who is normally an opener, was going to bat. But he did, lived tell the tale and can now

look forward, if that is the Watkinson was not critical. At appropriate verb, to a period

of convalescence. How long he will be out is

anybody's guess. Last year, on his England debut at Edgbaston, he sustained a hairline fracture of another finger and was expected to miss the next month's cricket. In fact he opened the innings in the Benson and Hedges Cup final nine days later.

Lancashire, seeking 294 from 72 overs after they had bowled out Nottinghamshire before lunch, made a mess of the chase. They are such a capable batting side that the loss of Atherton, Crawley and

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings, 452 (R 7 Robinson 122, C L Carms 65, P Johnson 63, S Elworthy 4 for 91)

Second Innings

V M Noon o Hegg b Martin T Bates not out

R T Bates not out
R A Pick tow b Martin
D B Permett low b Martin

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-45, 3-63, 4-182, 5-182, 6-203, 7-204, 8-208, 9-220.

80WLING Martin 20-5-50-7; Chapple 5-0-19-0; Elworthy 20-3-52-2; Reedy 13-2-47-0; Watterson 11-3-43-0; Gallian 4-2-20-1

P.R. Pollard Ibw o Martin

tea, with Fairbrother and gettable.

innings two weeks ago.

Gallian has hand in tense finish

Fairbrother departed to a fine catch by Noon, and Lancashire, thrown by the loss of his wicket and Hegg's shortly afterwards, were soon 201 for eight. It was only Speak's vigilance, and Keedy's occupation of the crease for 27 balls, that bailed them out.

Afford, bowling over the wicket with five fielders covering the on side, finished with career-best figures of six for 51. It would be nice to say he bowled imaginatively and

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 397 for 9 dec (J E.R. Gelfan 94, N. H. Fairbrother 80, J. F Crawley 77, W. K. Hegg 65 not out)

Second Innings M A Atherion low b Carns "M Watkinson low b Afford

"M Wattinson Ibw b Afford
J P Crawley c Archer b Bates
N H Fairbrother c Noon b Afford
N J Spaek not out
"W K Hagg b Bates
S Elworthy c Johnson b Afford
G Chapple c Potland b Atford
P J Mann b Afford
G Keedy c Robinson b Afford
J E R Galitan not out
Extras (b 4, ib 7, nb 8)
Total (8) wides

TRENT BRIDGE SCOREBOARD

possibly he did. The view from the press box, which is surely Speak in harness, they needed the worst of any Test match allow for such judgments.

Martin also returned career-best figures, seven for 50, in the morning as he took the remaining six Nottinghamshire wickets in 12 overs from the Radcliffe Road end. The ball swung for him, as it had not done earlier in the match when it was colder. Strangely, it was only the third time he has taken five wickets in a championship innings. ☐ Warwickshire have called in Harry Brind, the Test and County Cricket Board's inspector of pitches, before deciding whether to switch the wicket for the first Test against

India at Edgbaston next month. Warwickshire were heavily criticised after West Indies won last summer's the third Test inside 21 days. That prompted a switch for this season's Test to the pitch normally used for one-day internationals.

Now the Edgbaston groundstaff are concerned about the lack of grass growth due to the cold spring and an alternative Test wicket has been prepared for Brind to

FOR THE RECORD

AMERICAN FOOTBALL . WORLD LEAGUE (WLAF): London Mon-archs 27 Frankfurt Galexy 7.

ATHLETICS ISTANBUL: European champion clubs men's Cup: British (Belgrave) placings: 200m: 4, H Korje 21.57sec. 800m; 6, M Yates Invin 50 39sec. 5,000m; 6 D Mead 200m: 4, H Korje 21.5/sec. 300m; 6, M Yates Imin 50 28:sec. 5,000m; 6 D Mead 14:50.98.3,000m steeplechase: 2, J Chaston 8:35.74 110m hurdles: 4, A Tutloch 14:14. 4x.400m relay: 1, Belgrave (T Lervitt, J Rédigeon, C Rawlinson, D Noten) 3mm 9:30sec. Pole vault: 7, M Edwards 5:30m. Long jump; 4 F Sale 7,78m. Discuss: 4, K Brown 56:34m. Javelin: 1, Larios, (Sp. (holden); 132-pt; 2, Famme Oro (t) 113: 3, Belgrave (GB) 98: 4, Racing Club de France (Fr) 85 5; 5, Dulde Progue (C2) 84: 6, Belorussa 84; 7, Turkey 71.5; 8, Hungary 69. NILAN: European champion clubs woman's Cup: British (Birchfield) positions: 100m; 3, G McLeod 11 78ec 200m: Equal 1, K Merry 23 90, 400m; 4, S Stevenson 55.48, 800m; 3, V Stevne 2mm 8:99sec 1,500m; 4, S Bentiey 422:78.5,000m; 6, C Mijovic 17:33.80. 100m hurdles: 1, L Hanson 58:24, 4; x 400m relay: 1, Birchfield (S Stevenson, V Sterrie, D Laws, I, Hancon) 3mm 41 48sec. High jump; 3, D Lewis

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1.84m. Long jump: 2. Lews 6:39m. Triple jump: 6, K Evars 11.96m. Shot: 7. Darm 11.43m. Discust: 6, S Heriton 44.94m. Javelin: 8, C Court 33.78m. 4 x 100m relay: 4, Bechied: 47.02. Match result: 1, Stovenia 92, 2, Budspest 95; 3, Portugal 91.5; 4, Belorussia 94; 5, Great Britan (Brofingel) 83; 6, Great Britan 48 6; 8, Switzerland 42

jump; 1, D Rowe (GB Students) 12.44m; 2, S Anderson (GB Students) 12.35; 3, J Chalestank (GB Students) 12.25; 3nd; 1, Asten (Eng) 14.37m; 2, D Callearly (Eng) 14.04; 3, N Smith (GB Jumons) 13.37 Match result: 1, England 151; 2, Loughtorough Students 105; 3, GB Juniora 89; 4, GB Students 55.

BALLROOM DANCING BIFMINGHAM: LIK ten-dance champlor BIRMINGHAM: Ulk ten-denice championiships: Professioned: I. P. Richardson and I. Dawson (Engl.; 2, A and E Pregnotato (B); 3, D and H Truemen (Engl.; 4, W Bullock and J Prefice (Engl.; 5, S and H Cruwys (Engl.; 6, S and H Cruwys (Engl.; 6, S and D Krauf (US), Junior: 1, W Boyce and L Bellingen (Engl.; 2, G Hinton and C Surf (Engl.; 3, M Rycrott and L Stoves (Wales); 4, S Brandrieth and I. Multins (Engl.; 5, P Starting and A Devices (Engl.; 8, K and Jo Citton (Engl.)

BADMINTON HONG KONG: Uber Cup: Group A: Indonesta bt Russla 5-0; China 5 Japan 0 Group B: South Kores bt England 5-0; South Kores bt England 5-0; South Kores not England 5-0; South Koreanames first Ra Kyung Min bt J Marin 11-2 11-1; Gil Young An and Jang Hye Ock bt Gowers J Muggardige 15-3. 15-1; Lee Joo Hyun bt A Humby 11-5. 12-10; Kim Shin Young and Park Soo Yun bt J Dawies S Hardalter 15-8, 15-7; Chung Jan Hee bt T Groves 11-3, 11-4; Denmesk S Hong Kong 0. BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Atlanta 9 Concinned 5; Rorida 8 Chicago 7 (in 11), Houston 4 Pittsburgh 3: Colorado 10 St. Louis 3; Prisadelphia 5 Los Angeles 4; San Diego 4 Montreal 5; San Francisco 1 New York 0 (first game); San Francisco 6 New York 2 (second game) (secono garie): AMERICAN LEAGUE: Boston 12 Cadan 2: Claveland 8 Texas 5: Baltimore 8 Seath 7: Caldonia 10 New York 1; Milwelulee 4 Manasota 2: Taronto 3 Kansas City 2 Chicago 14 Detroit 3. BASKETBALL

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (NBA): Play-

offis: Eastern Conference: Final: Chicago 121 Orlando 83 (Chicago lead best-of-seven-games series 1-0)

MCC TROPHY (one day): Preliminary round: Penrith: Cumberland 144 (A J Murphy 4-25); Cheshire 145-7 (J D Bean 50). Creshire won by new makers: Walsalf: Staffordshire 226-7 (S J Deen 73, L Potter 56) Norfolk 120. Statfordshire won by 105, runs Shenley Parlc Dorset 257-3 (R J Scott 120, J J Hardy 105 not out); Heritordshire won by 10sr wickes. Brockhamptor: Herefold 145-6 (M F D Robrison 65) Wilshire 147-3 (D J M Mercer 72 not out). Wilshire won by seven wickes. ScothOLS MATCHES: Pates 165-8 dec. Marling 171-4; Bishop's Stordord 165-6 cc. "Hateybury 158-6; Chesde Hutme 126, "King Edward's VII, Litram 127-1; Chatterhem College 242-5 dec, "Rugby 243-3; UCS 217-3 dec, "Mit Hit 219-4; "Streenesbury 176, Trent 168-7 ("denotes home learn).

CYCLING TOUR OF ITALY: Third stage (194km, Messcolongi, Greece, to loamma, Greece): 1, G Lombardi (R, Team Polit) 4hr 54mm 42sec; 2, S Zamri (R, Gewiss Playbus); 3, 8 Martinello (R, Saco), 4, A Edo (Sp. Kelme Artect): 5, F Guidi (R, Sarigno Blue Storm): 6, M Vergneri (R, Amore e Vita) ell familie time. Overall positions: 1, Zamri 15hr 37min 4sac; 2, Martinello same time; 3, Lombardi at 4sac; 4, Guidi 14. FOOTBALL

Sunday's lete results SPANISH LEAGUE: Valencia 1 Español 0; Real Madrid 4 Merida 0; Barcelorra 3 Celta Vgo 2; Real Sociedad 2 Athlete Bilbeto 2; Reyo Vellecarno 4 Real Zaragozza 3; Ovladio 3 Velladolidi 8; Albacette 2 Rockry Samistrol 2; Composietta 0 Sevilla 0; Bottic 1 Deportivo La Cortina 0; Salarmanca 3 Scontino Giano 0 Deportivo Ln Corúna 0; Salamanca 3 Sporting Gijon (). WELSH CUP: Llanfantificad 3 Berry Town 3 (aet; Llanfantificad won ponetly shoot-out) WORLD CUP: Caribbeen zone: second round, second leg: Grenada 0 Hari 1 (Halii win 7-1 on agg and play Cuba in third round, at St George's)

GOLF THAME: Anderson Consulting world champlonship: European regional championship: European regional championship: First round: S Tomance (Scot) bt M James (Engl) 2 and 1, MA Jimenez (Sp) bt B Lane (Engl) 1 hole; C Montgomeria (Scot) bt C Rocca (III by one hole; B Langar (Scot) bt J Pamewik (Swe) at 20th.
TENBY: Welsh women's championship: First round: P Chugo (Whitchurdt) bt G Fiyer (Clynel 2 and 1; A Mages (Old Ford Menor) bt S O'Sulivan (Llamwern) at 19th: N Evans (Peasington) bt J Lloyd (Royal Mid Surrey) 7 and 6; L Dermott (Royal Liverpoot) bt S Lane (West Hill) 7 and 5; V Thomas (Pennard) bt H Colvert (Jaminisant and Pontycum) 7 and 6; K Stark (Bryntill) b D Richards (Bargoed) 2 and 1; O Dawles (Ashburnham) bt S Mountford (Fenlay) at 20th; E Pfignin (Celtic Manor) bit B Jones (Dershigh) 4 and 3 Quarter-limits; Chugo beat Magee 2 and 1; Dermott best Evers 6 Lane 5; Thomas beat Stark two holes; Plignin beat Dawes 4 and 3

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RUGBY LEAGUE STONES SUPER LEAGUE: Bradford 60
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London 21; Sheffield 23 Oldfram 10 First
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SQUASH

MALTA: Masters tournament: Final: M Davis (Eng.) bt J Road (Eng.) 6-3

round: C Walker (Eng) bit J Power (Cert) 13-15 13-15 15-11 15-13 15-12 B Martin (Aus) bit S Meade (Eng) 15-9 15-17 15-11 15-10; A Barade (Egypt) bit D Meddings (Eng) 15-10 15-6 15-6, R Eyles (Aus) bit Zerak Jehan (Pak) 15-13 10-15 15-13 15-11; C Walker (Eng) bit J Power (Cart) 13-15, 13-15, 15-11, 15-13, 16-12 **TENNIS**

BOWLING: Cairns 19-2-77-1; Permett 4-0-21-0; Bates 17-3-42-2; Pick 7-1-23-0; Afford 25-8-51-6.

Umpires: J.H. Hampshire and J.H. Harris

P Sampras (US); 2. T Muster (Austria); 3, A Agassi (US); 4. M Chang (US); 5, B Becker (Ger); 6, G Ivanisavic (Cro); 7, Y Kafeinikov (Russ); 8, J Couner (US); 9, T Enpvist (Swe), 10, M Ros (Crile); 11, W Ferreira (SA); 12, A Boetsch (F); 13, A Costa (Sp); 14, R Krajcek (Holi); 15, M Rosset (Swiz); 18, M Stoch (Ger)

WOMEN: 1, S Gral (Ger); 2, M Seles (US), 3, C Martinez (Sp); 4, A Sánchez Vicano (Sp); 5, I Majoli (Cro); 6, A Huber (Ger); 7, C Rubin (US); 8, G Sahatins (Arg); 9, K Dage (Japan); 10, B Schutz-McCartny (Holl); 11, L Davenport (US); 12, J Novotna (Casch); 13, M J Farrandez (US); 14, M Petroe (Fr); 15, M Maleeva (Bul); 18, A Costzer (SA)

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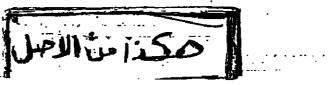
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Dr Massini setback causes confusion in Derby markets

BETTING markets on the Derby were thrown into turwhen Dr Massini, favourite for the Blue Riband with Ladbrokes, stepped gingerly from his box at Michael Stoute's stables yesterday morning. The news came just hours after Dushyantor, the subject of similar reports on Friday, put himself back on track for Epsom when he cantered at Newmarket.

night whether Dr Massini will recover quite so quickly. Stoute said of the colt in a statement yesterday: "He pulled out lame on his offforeleg this morning and the lameness is being investigated. We will issue a further statement when we are in a position to do so." Details of the setback are expected to emerge later today, after veterinarians have assessed vari-

It remained unclear last

ous scans of the colt's limb. Ladbrokes have taken Dr Massini out of the Derby betting and offer the colt at 4-1 with a run. "In the circumstances we think it is the fairest thing to do," the firm's Mike Dillon said. "If the trainer says the horse is fine. we will reintroduce Dr

Massini immediately." Ladbrokes's revised list is: 5-1 Glory Of Dancer, Dushyantor, 6-l Even Top, 7-l Mark Of Esteem, Alhaarth, 14-1 bar. William Hill and Coral have left their markets undisturbed tained ligament damage. Such pending further information.

Dr Massini, owned by a condition would have ruled him out of the Derby. Michael Tabor, thrust himself later, it transpired that

into the Derby picture with a convincing dismissal of King Alex in the Michael Seely Memorial Glasgow Stakes at York last week. The Sadler's Wells colt was well backed for Epsom, both before and after that victory. Tabor could only sit and wait yesterday for the veterinary prognosis. Unconfirmed reports dur-

Next best: Fairywings

(4.25 Beverley)

speculation suggested that Dr

Massini's troubles were not

thought to be of a serious

nature. Like several York run-

ners last week, the colt re-

Although he has since can-

tered on the Newmarket

gallops, it would be unwise to

pre-empt the outcome of the

tests. Injuries to horses' limbs

can be notoriously deceptive at

first glance, as connections of

Dushyantor discovered last

week. Dushyantor was initial-

ly diagnosed as having sus-

turned home stiff.

confirmed yesterday as the ing an afternoon of intense mount of Pat Eddery, Cecil plans to be represented at **RICHARD EVANS** Epsom by Storm Trooper and Clever Cliche. Ironically, Mick Kinane rejected the ride Nap: MARIGLIANO on Storm Trooper in favour of Dr Massini. Willie Ryan has (3.55 Beverley)

Cecil said.

che have yet to be finalised. St Mawes, runner-up to High Baroque at Chester two weeks ago, attempts to advance his Epsom prospects in the Westminster Taxi Insurance Predominate Stakes at Goodwood today. This tenfurlong contest concludes the sequence of Derby trials and St Mawes was yesterday well backed with both Hills and Coral for the Blue Riband. Coral cut the John Dunloptrained colt to 16-1 from 25-1. A

bold show is clearly anticipat-

ed this afternoon.

However, less than 24 hours

Dushyantor ailed from an

infected hoof. His trainer.

Henry Cecil, yesterday report-ed the colt firmly back on

target for the Derby after

Dushyantor joined the string

on the gallops. "He cantered

this morning and he is fine."

In addition to Dusyhantor,

since been booked for Storm

Trooper but riding arrange-

ments surrounding Clever Cli-



Dr Massini, who won impressively at York, was found to be lame yesterday

GOODWOOD

2.10 Forza Flolio 2.40 Kilvine

3.40 LEGAL RIGHT (nap) 4.10 Stone Ridge 4.45 Without Friends 5.20 Montendre

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.40 SYLVA PARADISE. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.40 KILVINE (nap). 3.40 Side Note. 4.10 Samba Sharply

DRAW: 5F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.10 trehearne & norman maiden stakes (3-Y-0: £4,794: 1m) (11 runners) ## Wighers
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BETTING: 5-2 Facza Figlio, 9-2 Mue-Tab, 5-1 Astend Dencer, Roustan, 7-1 No-Aman, 8-1 Stone Island, 10-1 1995; FIRST ISLAND 9-8 M HRL (33-1) G Wagg 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

PORZA FIGLIO 99:1 4th of 16 to Mainaioj in Salis-bury residen (1m., good to limm) with NO-AMAN 59:1 7th. ROUSI-IAN 79:1 3rd of 11 to Maistick House on Haydock residen (7), good to solth with SABRAK 139:1 10th. ASHANTI DANCER 31 2nd 5 Selection: MUA-TAB

2.40 CHICHESTER FESTIVAL THEATRE HANDICAP BBC1

BETTING: 4-1 Kilvano, 5-1 King Ol Peru, 6-1 Sylva Paradise, 7-1 Wisam, State Ol Caution, 10-1 Fussion blusic, Sphong, 12-1 others

1995: SHAHBO 9-7 W Carson (5-4 lav) J Dunkop 11 ran FORM FOCUS

KING OF PERU 41%1 3rd oil 7 to Fatherra in handi-cap at Safebury (61, good) on petrolibrasie start. WISAM about 61%1 6th oil 7 to Ramonz in condi-fions race at Dhirsk (1m. good to firm). KILVINE-about 71 6th oil 14 to Sorbia Tower in handicap at Sandown (1m. good).

SElection: KING OF PERU

3.10 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND TEGLEAZE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £6,214: 5f) (4 runners)

CAUDA ECUDNA (M Foy) M Chemnor 9-0
DEADLY DUDLEY (Licayan Saud) R Hannon 9-0
GRANNY'S PET 32 (Mrs D Artho) P Cole 9-0
MYSTERY (Mrs G Smith) S Dow 8-9 1995: WISAM 9-0 W R Swintym (4-5 lax) R Hamon 7 ran

over 57th and in Sermany, dam 61 pavenile witner. DEADLY DUDLEY (Apr 13, cost 25,000 ps;) Hall-brother by Greal Commobon to three winners (all by Arrano na Remerae) including Miss Nazay Parker.

BBC2

3.40 WESTMINSTER TAXI INSURANCE

BETTING: 3-1 Prize Giving, 4-1 Legal Right, 5-1 Side Mole, 6-1 Don Micheletto, SI Maives, 10-1 Massehanh, Rin Durnda, 14-1 General Academy, Swift Fandango.

1995: PENTIRE 9-0 M Hills (11-8 las) 6 Wagg 6 rat FORM FOCUS

PRIZE GIVING completed double heat Desart Boy 34 in 7-numes fested race at Chester (fin. 2/15yd., good). DON MICHELETTO 71 8th of 10 to Asticiani in group I Dubal Poutle d'Essa des Poutlairs at Longstraino (fin., good). LEGAL ROGATT beat Sharbou 194 in 9-numer marchen at Chester (fin. 2/10yd, good). MASERAAB 101 7th of 13 to Mark Of Esteen in group I Pertemps 2,000 Gutness States, at Newmarket (fin., good to firm). Selection: PRIZE GIVING

4.10 ANNE FRANCES STEVENS MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£9,006: 1m) (11 runners)

| (B) | GROUPH | CESP, OUTCO | THIS | CESP |

BETTING: 7-2 Stone Ridge. 4-1 Green Perturue, 9-2 Huguity, 7-1 Night Danca, 8-1 Walasi, 10-1 Santia Sharpiy. 1995. PAY HOMAGE 7-8-12 M Hulls (12-1) | Balding 11 ran FORM FOCUS

GREEN PERFLIME 101 8th of 13 to Frest Island in State handleap at York (1m. good to lirm). STONE HUSWITY completed doubte best Ten Past Sa 11 HUSWITY completed doubte best Ten Past Sa 11 handleap (1m. soft) on pesultimate start, with 1 Selection: HUSWITY

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD. 103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TRAES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robesson) B Hall 9-10-0 ... B West (4) 4

4.45 EQUITY FINANCIAL COLLECTIONS CLAIMING STAKES (2-Y-0: £3,493: 6f) (8 runners)

1995: TAKAPUNA 8-4 R Pesham (7-2) R Hanaco 7 rai

FORM FOCUS

FOLLY FOOT FRED about 131 4th of 6 to Smokey Pete to conditions sace all Assot (54 good in First) with BATTLE GROUND (7th worse nit) 8k4 6th. MARSHOLIA about 2541 4th of 8 to Sabotini in auction maister all Sandows (54, good) on perulal-mate start, with PRESMOUNL, (5th better oft) 21 5th and ALBMERLAMM (3th better oft) about 16%1 8th.

WITHOUT FRENUS beat Helio Dolly 11 to 8-runner seller at Folkesione (St. firm). PRESKUDUL about 21 4th of 9 to Petite Denseuse in auction maiden at Bath (St. good to firm). MSTY CAY stort-heaf and 51 3rd of 4 to Watt For Rose in makinn at Brighton (St. 5594, firm).
Selection: WITHOUT FRENOS

5.20 COCKED HAT CONDITIONS STAKES

(£4,931: 6f) (7 runners) BETTING: 5-2 Warring, 3-1 That Main Again, 7-2 Lock Patrick, 6-1 Montendre, 8-1 Hard To Figure, Konntan, 18-1 Helin Marter

1995: AL RAWDA 3-8-3 W Ryun (5-2) H Cock 5 ran FORM FOCUS

HARD TO RISURE best Easy Dollar hand in 6-runner conditions case at Kemplory (6f. good) on perultimate start, with WAMAM (5to better of) 64-6 4th. HELLO MISTER 874 5th of 9 to Leyampee in handrap at York (6f. good to firm) LOCH PAT-BICK 1141 and neck 3rd of 9 to Itaman in condi-tions race at Saltsbury (6f. good to firm) with Selection: LOCH PATRICK

COURSE SPECIALISTS **TRAINERS** 35 33 73 16 105 40 G Wragg W Hem H Cecil J White P Cole R Hughes
Pat Eddery
M Hills
Dane O'Neill
R Cochrave
J Reid 229 21.2 19.2 18.8 18.1 17.5

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Beverley: 3.25 Pearl Venture. Goodwood: 2 40 Wisam

YESTERDAY SRESULTS TO THE STATE OF THE STATE

BEVERLEY THUNDERER

2.25 No Rush. 2.55 Struggler. 3.25 Bernard Seven. 3.55 Marigliano. 4.25 She's My Love. 5.00 Strategic GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

draw: 5f, high numbers best 2.25 TIGER INN SELLING STAKES

(2-Y-0: £2,651: 51) (8 runners) 7-4 No Rush, 3-1 C-Henry, 9-2 Stylers Flyer, 5-1 Sperity, 8-1 Fill For The Job. 12-1 Super Sharib, 14-1 others.

2.55 GREEN DRAGON CONDITIONS STAKES

(2) 140- CROFT POOL 192 (D.F.G.) J Grover 5-10-0 S D Williams 73 (1) 00-0 TRAKADOU 17 (D.F.G.S) Miss: L Soldad 5-9-6. J Weaver 75 (3) 303 HERC COMES A STAR 4 (CD.F.G.) J Card 8-9-0 A Contense (6) 0-34 STRUBGLER 17 (D.F.G.) D Locker 4-9-0 ... K Datley (6) (7) 2-60 LUCKY PARKES 17 (CD.F.G.S.) J Berry 6-8-9 P Roberts (6) (7) 2-60 LUCKY PARKES 17 (CD.F.G.S.) J Berry 6-8-9 P Roberts (6) (8) 210-1 TARF 2-50 (D.F.) P Walvern 3-8-7 ... J Cardid 82 7-4 Struggler, 7-2 Lucky Parkes, 5-1 Tart, 8-1 Taterdou, Croft Pool, 8-1 Here Comes. A Star, 10-1 Baboy Babe

3.25 DAVID SWANNELL MEMORIAL RATED HANDICAP (£6,178: 1m 100yd) (11)

(2) 53-0 GYMCRAK PREMIERE 20 (D.F.G.S) G Holmes 8-9-8 K Falson 100 0056 MEGE. St. AD 18 (D.F.G.) P Haslam 4-8-13 J Fortune 559 (G.S.) M Hammond 5-8-12 W Hands 530 006 PEARL VENTURE 15 (V.F.) S Woods 4-8-12 W Wands 53 006 PEARL VENTURE 15 (V.F.) S Woods 4-8-12 W Wands 54 007 DEPERS CONS.IL. 31 (CD.F.G.S) J Gloves 4-8-12 S D Williams 54 005 DEPERS CONS.IL. 31 (CD.F.G.S) J Gloves 4-8-10 K Ondey 70 0000 SERNAMO SEVER 18 (D.D.F.G.) E British 4-8-10 K Ondey 71 0000 SERNAMO SEVER 18 (D.D.F.G.) S Desirber 4-8-10 J Whater 50 005 DEPERS CONS.IL. 31 (CD.F.G.S) Mass 5 Hall 7-8-10 J Whater 50 005 DEPERS CONS.IL. 31 (CD.F.G.S) Mass 5 Hall 7-8-10 J Whater 50 005 DEPERS CONS.IL. 31 (CD.F.G.S) TEASTRY 5-8-0 M SERNAMO OR CHAMERAY 17 (C.F.G.) T Easterby 5-8-0 (M.S.C.) (2) 53-0 CYMECRAK PREMERE 20 (D.F.G.S) G Holmes 8-9-8 5-1 Queens Constit. 11-2 Tentium. 6-1 Sandmoor Chambray. Citien For. 7-1 Bjørsrak Prometre. 6-7 Nigel's Lad. 10-1 others

3.55 WINDMILL INN MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £3,561: 7f 100yd) (9) J Cunto 81
... K Darky 68
... G Hind 84
... J Farning —
... K Fallon 570
... J Wasaver 93
... L Chartack — 10-17 Mangliano, 9-2 Melt The Clouds, 5-1 Massani, 11-2 Hannalou, 6-1 He's My Love, 10-1 Dispoil Diamond, 12-1 others 4.25 ANGEL HANDICAP (3-Y-0 Riles: £3,665: 1m 11 207yd) (11) (3-Y-O BRIGES: 23,000: 11m 11 20/Y0) (11)

1 (9) 06-0 PORTUGUESE LL. 16 D Netrolts 9-7 ... J Carroll 9

2 (4) 40-2 SHE'S MY LOWE 16 (7) J Banks 9-4 ... J Daton 9

3 (6) 036- PRIMEROSE PATH 245 C British 9-2 ... J Wasner 9

5 (1) 31-2 HONDRABLE ESTATE 18 (7) R Hamon 8-13 J Fortune 9

6 (7) 4-34 SWEETHE'SS HORSELF 18 M Rein 8-13 M Band (8) 7

(5) 8-02 FARTYWINSS B Mrs. J Ramation 8-4 ... X Failion 9

9 (11) 50:03 SCENICRIS 31 R Hollinchead 8-3 ... N Carisle 9

10 (2) 3-05 TARRY 8 (7) S Sterwood 8-3 ... T Sprates 8-11 (10) 35-0 DARRA 25 J Bendell 7-10 ... T Survives 8 Results 10 ... T Sprates 8-12 Sterville 10 ... S Sterville 10 ... T Sprates 8-13 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-13 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... S Serville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterville 10 ... T Sprates 8-14 C Sterv

9-2 She's My Love, 5-1 Ferrywings, Honorable Estate, 7-1 Sweetness Herself, 8-1 Portuguese Lil, Perpetual Ugin, Tany, 10-1 others 5.00 ROSE & CROWN HANDICAP (3-Y-0; £3,036: 1m 3l 216yd) (9) (4) 1055 MISTER ASPECTO 15 (D.E) M Johnston 9-7 J Wenner (7) -616 JUMP THE LIGHTS 15 (D.E) S Woods 9-2 ... W Woods (2) 0043 STRATEGIC PLOY 11 (BF) Mrs J Remsden 9-1 K Fallon (3) -021 GO-GO-POWER-RANGER 25 (D.S) B Elison 9-0 N Kennedy

4-1 Uanr, 9-2 Straiegic Play, 5-1 Jump The Lights. Go-Go-Power-Ranger, 7-1 Mister Asperto, 8-1 Champagne Warntor 10-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSPRS: D Loder, 14 winners from 24 numers, 58.3%, R Hannon, 5 tom 14, 35.7%; P Harrs, 8 tom 28, 28.6%, P Wahnyn, 3 from 13, 22.1%, W 6 M Yezner, 6 from 28, 21.4%, M Johnston, 19 from 93, 20.4% JOCKEYS: M Fardon, 10 winners from 32 notes, 31.3%; T Sprake, 4 from 17, 23.5%; K Darley, 42 from 228, 18.4%, A McGlone, 4 from 22, 18.2%; J Carroll, 15 from 96, 15.6%; J Weaver, 17 from 119, 14.3%.

Bath Going: good, good to 9rm in places Going: good, good to with in paces
2.15 (Im Syd) 1, DIVINA LIBNA (M Hills,
12-1); 2, Young Mezaad (G Bardwei,
10-1); 3, Budby (B Thomson, 9-4 lav).
ALSO RAN: 5 Barneret (4th), 13-2
Brendonville, 12 Drematic Act (8th), 20
Lancashive Legend, 25 Blossom Dearle,
50 Armation, Iwo Socies (9th), 66 Rapid
Liner, 11 ran 134, 1341, 236, 134, 239, 1348,
at Lamboum, Tote: C15.00: C32.0, 1200,
C1 20. DF: £28.20. Thio: £37.30 CSF:
C72 88, Atlantic Storm (5-2) withdrawn, rot
under orders — rule 4 applies to all bels. under orders — rule 4 applies to all bets. deduction 25p in pound.

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2.45 (1m 5yd) 1, LEGUARID EXPRESS (J. Bramhel, 8-1); 2, Zahran (T. Culinn, 13-2); 3, Noeprob (Amenda Sanders, 16-1); 4, Rursic Symbol (J. Culinn, 7-1); ALSO RAN: 5-1 fav Soelding, 7 Perious Pight, 15-2 Cae. Jay-Pay (501); 12 Ever So Lyncal, 14 Helios, 20 Napoleon Star, Roke, Swift Malden, Windswept, 25 Genüle frony (6th); Sobeloved, 33 Cadar Dancer, Hawail Storm, Zeltba, 18 ran 114, nk, 114, sh hd, hd, O O'Neil at Chellenham, Tote: \$10.30; £2.20, £1.90, £2.90, £2.10. DF: £34.50. Trice \$263.40 CSF. £59.30. Tricast. £767.90.

2767-90.
3.15 (SI 11vd) 1, FOR OLD TIMES SAKE (G Carter, 6-4 lav); 2, Pelham (Pal Eddery, 2-1); 3, Braveheart (R Hughes, 9-4), ALSO RAN: 50 Sr Astoli (4th), 4 ran, 2½1, 2, 23.
J Berry al Cockerham, Tote: \$2.30. DF: \$2.80. CSF 24.45. 52.60, CSF 94.45.
3.45 (51 11yd) 1, TOTAL ALOOF (M Hills, 11-4 fay); 2, Sharp Pearl (R Hughes, 10-1); 3, The Fristry Farmer (A Clark, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Neitle North (4th), 4 Dande Flyer (5th), 9-2 White Settler, 14 Blue Suede Hoots (6th), 66 Heights of Love 8 ran. 2141, 41, sh hd, rk, sh hd, W Hagges at Newmarket. Tota: E3.90; £1.50, £2.60, £2.20. DF £24.70. CSF: £26.13. After a stawards* inouty, result stood. After a stewards' inquiry, result stood. After a stewards' inquiry, result stood.
4.15 (im.2'48yd) 1, PRIVATE SONG (Pat Ecclery, 4-5 text): 2, Casside (B Doyle, 5-2);
3, Random Kindness (G Hind, 66-1).
ALSO RAN: 8 Ragsak Jameel (4th), 16 Code Red (5th), Western Playboy (5th), 20 Crandon Boulevard, Ghusn, Kairne, 100 Dry Sea. Kings Nightcub, Saucy Soul. 12 ran. 19, 7, 7, 14, 19, 18, 18, Charlton et Beckhampton, Tote, £1,90; £1,10, £1,30, £5,10, DF, £2,00. Tro: £48 (10, CSF) £3,33,46,6 (2m,5); 22-ch, 11, ARRADISE WATTERS es. 10. DF. 22(d) 1, PARADISE WATERS (J. Red., 11-4 key; 2, Lalindt (A. Proder, 5-1); 3, Reseyel (T. Curin, 4-1), ALSO RAN: 4 Unchanged (5th), 13-2 Trolette, 7 Unchanted Waters (4th), 33 Triple Tie (6th).

7 ran. 2%i, %i, 3%i, 1%i, 9i, R Johnson Houghton et Didcot. Tote: £3.40; £1.90, £2.00 DF: £8.60. CSF: £15.47. 22.00 DF: 88 60. CSF: £15.47.
5.15 (SI 161yd) 1, JUCEA (J Reid, 11-4 tay), 2, Potil Pui (Martin Dwyer, 50-1); 3, Balleys Sunset (M Henry, 9-1), ALSO RAN: 5 Prime Six (6th), 11-2 Mousehole (5th), 7 Rockcracker, 10 Petraco, 16 Kossotien, 20 Ashkemsey, Kildes Lad. Lord Six, Our Shadee (4th), 33 Willrack Femier, 65 Tommy Tempess, 14 ran, 3, hd, 3, 3i, hd, J Spearing at Alesster, Tote: 23.90; £1.80, £11.30, £3.30, DF: £175.20. Tric: £512.20. CSF. £106.76 Threast: £1,034.11. Trio: £512. £1,034.11. Jackpot: £27,652.60. Placepot £36.90. Quadpot £12.00.

Southwell Going: good to lim

Gotng: good to lim

2.00 (3m 110/d cti) 1. MYLAND (J A

McCarthy, 3-1 lav); 2. Mobile Messenger

(D Bentley, 6-1); 3. Shull Polpin (Mr J

Culloty, 50-1). ALSO RAN: 10-3 Sciomen

Springs (4th), 9-2 Cracking Icles (5th), 6

Imperial Vintage (I), 10 Deset Mist (ou), 9-ran.

3. 31, 33/J. dist. O Shenwood at Upper

Lamboum Tote: £1.00; £1.30, £2.00,

£10.60. DF. £8.30. Tric: £184.20 (part

won; pool of £236.14 cartied lorward to

2.40 at Goodwood Ioday), CSF- £18.38.

2.30 (2m 4f 110yd ct) 1, THE MINE

CAPTAIN (G Upton, 2-1 lav); 2, Maple

Dencer (R Greene, 5-1); 3, Headhwisw (F

Lesby, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 3 Le Bucharon

(f), 7 Supposh (f), Victory Anthem (4th), 33

Palace Yard (5th), 7 ran. 13(J, 10, 8), dist S

Strenwood at East Roley. Tote: £3.30;

£1.40, £1.80. DF: £3.70. CSF- £12.06.

3.00 (2m 4f 110yd hole) 1, SUPERHOO (B C1.40, C1.80. DF: C8.70. CSF: C12.06.
3.00 (2m 4) 110yd hdie) 1, SUPERHOO (B Fenton, 10-1), 2, Gurmalor (Mr. J. Llewellyn, 5-1 fav); 3, Heart Of Spain (W Worthington, 11-2), ALSO RAN. 11-2 Scarba (Shi), 6 Khazari (8hi), Weather Alert, 13-2 Red Jam Jar (4th), 8 Green's Seago, 12 Precipica Run, 16 Heathyards Boy 10 ren. 6, 131, 51, 51, 21. R. Cragos at Sedgoffeld. Tota: £13.50; £3.60, £1.60, £3.20. DF: £48.50. The: £59.40 CSF-58.13. Thosast £296.55.

23 20. DF: £48.50. The: £59.40 CSF £58.13. Tricast: £285.55.
3.30 (2m hdie) 1, GONE FOR LUNCH (Mr J. Culloty, 13-8), 2. Pegassus Bay (R Gerntly, 4-1), 3, Brown And Mild; Lawrence, 20-1). ALSO RAN: 5-4 by Seamellech (f), 25 Matachon (4th), 33 Cool Mandy (5th), 50 Hernitate Boo Boo (kh), 7 ran 4, 28, 30, 18, 24 Miss H Knight at Wantage. Tote: £260; £1.40, £3.20. DF: £4.40. CSF: £8.07

4.00 (2m hdie) 1, WADADA (D J Burchell, 9-2); 2, Rueff's Pride (N Smith, 4-1 |-lav); 3, Northem Triel (A Lermach, 11-2), ALSO RAN; 4-1 |s-lav Dash To The Phone (4th), Playel Circus (8th), 7 Tanh, 17-1, 17-1, 15-2 (1m A Dreamer (pu), 7 rah, 17-1, \$22.09.
\$22.09.
\$4.30 (2m hdie) 1. HAMADRYAD (R Davis. 6-1); 2. Dencing At Lafrem (N Willemington, 11-4); 3. Night Boat (Guy Lawis. 9-1), ALSO RAN: 9-4 fav Top Felia (4th), 5. Red Indian, 14. Brass Tacks, Ragezzo (pu), 20. Coelisland (8th), 33. Olwer-J (8th), 9 ran. Sh.hd. 8t. 8t. 8t. Mrs. V Werd at Granthem. Tote: 25.70; 22.30, 21.10, CST-190. DF: \$29.0. Trio: 231.10. CSF: \$22.53. Bought in 2,600gms.

222.53. Bought in 2,600gms.

5.00 (2m flat race) 1, SUFF-CLK GIRL (G. Cahill, 7-4 flan), 2, Cast of Thousands (J. A. McCarthy, 8-1); 3, Just A. Madam (Miss E. Tománson, 16-1), ALSO RAN: 5 Game Drive, Mardge McSplash (4th), 6 Gale Wargame (5th), 12 Delerance Due, Misster Alex (f), 16 Sweet William (pu), Wild Cat Bay (8th), 20 Bye-Bye, 33 Mr. Blue, Sabotsuse (pu), Watch Sonty, 14 ran, 7t, 61, 4t, 51, 121, Mrs. M. Revelley at Salbum. Tote: £2.80, £2.00, £2.20, £3.50. DF: £9.90, Tric: £57.40. CSF: £15.65

Placepot; £177.20. Quadpot: \$23,60.

Musselburgh Going: good 8.30 (5!) 1. Beyford Thrust (J. Carroll, Evens tay): 2, Red Romance (11-2); 3, Casual Cottage (14-1), 5 ran. 2%(, 3%). J Berry. Tota: £1,90; £1 10, £2,30. DF: £2,80. CSF: £5 38.

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Stone Ridge can be forgiven Newbury lapse

2.40: An open handicap. with several likely to show considerable improvement. Kilvine went into several notebooks when a tenderly-handled sixth to Sorbie Tower at Sandown last month. He is sure to be thereabouts, but unlikely to offer any value. Gay Kelleway has had an excellent start to the year and her Lingfield maid-en winner, Russian Music, must be respected.

Banzhaf showed progres-sive form on the all-weather this winter, and has not been disgraced over inadequate trips on his two runs back on turf. Potentially well handicapped, he is worth an eachway interest. Splicing hails from the in-form William Haggas stable but may prove best over six furlongs.

3.10: Granny's Pet showed plenty of early pace on his debut when runner-up to Daylight In Dubai at Newbury, and will take all the beating on this sharper track. The booking of Michael Kinane for Deadly Dudley makes him the most interesting of the remainder.

3.40: Prize Giving represents last year's winning team of Geoff Wragg and Michael Hills, but he does not look in the same league as Pentire, and is one to oppose. Legal Right stayed on well to win a maiden at Chester two weeks ago, but comes from a stable in poor form, while St Mawes boasts solid form, but has not impressed with his attitude.

TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

Don Micheletto was not disgraced when eighth in the French 2,000 Guineas, but is not certain to stay, and a better option is Henry Cecil's Side Note. The latter is beautifully bred, being by Warning out of the Irish Guineas and Yorkshire Oaks winner, Sarah Siddons, and can be expected to improve considerably for his Salisbury maiden success.

4.10: This looks the most appealing betting race of the day — likely favourite Hugwity needs further, while Star Talent is a doubtful stayer and Night Dance has been out of form.

Stone Ridge showed improved form to win the Lincoln on his reappearance, and can be forgiven his latest run at Newbury when badly drawn. At around 8-1, he makes considerable appeal. Samba Sharply ran a blind-er when second to Tregaron in a competitive handicap at Ascot and should again make the frame, while last year's winner, Pay Homage, will have benefited from his

ROBERT WRIGHT

WORD WATCHING

Answers from page 43

(b) An interpreter, An Old French corruption of Latinier someone who knew Latin. "A latimer told the kyng full understondyng of wassayile." MEDIASTINUM

(a) A membraneous middle septum or partition between two cavities of the body; especially that formed by the two inner walls of the pleura, separating the right and left lungs. From the Latin mediastinus an inferior servant or drudge. "The Pericardium toucheth not the Lunges but by the interposition of the Madiestinum"

(b) The semitone on the Pythagorean scale. From the Greek leimma remnant, part left, semitone, leipein to leave. "The Pythagoreans, not using Tone Minor, but two Equal Tones Major, in a Fourth, were forced to take a lesser Interval for the Hemitone, which is call'd their Limma, or Pythagorean Hemitone, and, which added to those two Tones, makes up the Fourth; it is a Comma less than the Hemitone Major and the Ration of it is 256 to 243." MISKEN

(a) A titmouse. Asserted with? to be the diminutive of the Dutch mees a titmouse. "The Misken is more subject to the gowt than any bird that is." But how can he tell?

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

i Bg6! Rxg6 2 fxg6 and mate follows.

TOPAS HOURS FOOTBALL Kick-off 7.30 unless stated Tour match 10.45, 50 overs

SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP (Second SECOND XI CHAMBITORSHIP (SECOND day of time): Abbosholme School, Rocaster: Derbyshire v Esser; Boldon: Rocaster: Derbyshire v Esser; Boldon: Hempstire v Glamorgen; Ashiford: Kent v Northemptonstive; Odden: Town CC: Leicestershire v Lanceshire; Odded; Surrey v Nothinghamshire; Worcester-shire v Glocusstershire; Worcester-shire v Glocusstershire

LUTON: Northamotonshire v Indians

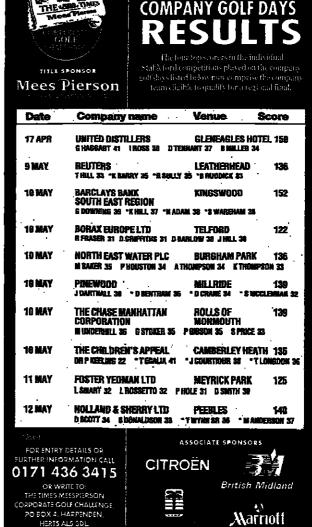
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GOLF WORLD

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King Carl proves he is close to his best as the centennial Olympics approach

Lewis aiming to set new gold standard

FROM DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

THEY still call him King Carl in the United States. "King Carl's not ready to abdicate" the Atlanta Journal headline said. King of what, though? The 100 metres? No. The 200 metres? Not any more. The long jump? That kingdom went to somebody else. But the king of the interview lives.

Even through the past three years, when he has won nothing, Lewis has had plenty to say. After the 100 metres at the 1993 world championships, he gave three interviews to camera, seeking them out, before Linford Christie, the winner, had completed his lap of honour. Never mind that Lewis had finished fourth.

Last Friday here, Lewis strung out a press conference for 55 minutes, substituting speeches for answers, even prompting questions during moments of silence. He spoke of his ambition to compete in his fourth Olympic Games here in July and, perhaps, to add to his eight gold medals. Top of his list is a fourth successive Olympic long jump title, but a third 100 metres

gold runs a close second. Lewis spoke of his "vigorous off-season fitness programme" and of how "I am going to do very well and that is what is so exciting". One wants to believe him because the sport, and the Olympics, could have no greater moment than Lewis finishing off, in his own country at the centennial Games, the job he started in Los Angeles in 1984. Ray Ewry's record ten Olympic athletics gold medals is tantalisingly

But could one trust Lewis's word, or was this the voice of a

THE Scotland rugby union

squad departs later today for

only the fourth tour of New

Zealand by a Scottish side,

and it would appear that it

does so more in hope than

realistic expectation of defeat-

ing the All Blacks in the two-

It will be the most difficult

trip undertaken by the 30-

strong squad, but it could also

man still driving his commercial juggernaut knowing his tyres were low on tread? The next day suspicion was removed as Lewis, running his best 100 metres for five years, recorded 9.94sec, only marginally wind-assisted. He finished second behind Dennis Mitchell, but ahead of Donovan Bailey, the world champion, in the grand prix meeting.

"I feel like my old self again," Lewis, who will be 35 come the Olympics, said. He looked it too, with his lawnmower start and Ferrari finish. "Regardless of what my start was, everyone was scared of my finish," Lewis said, recalling his heyday.

"No matter what happened I was in everyone's head. They had to run the race right out of the blocks, a perfect start, because they knew that Carl was coming on at the finish. The last couple of years I didn't have my finish, I didn't have a start. I have that finish again and my start has im-

proved dramatically."
At your age? "I don't know what a 35-year-old feels like," Lewis said. "So I don't make any concession to age. I don't know what age is doing to me unless I feel it. I still have great workouts, I'm strong. I feel I just have to play this thing out to see how far I can last." While Christie refuses to

discuss age, or anything at the moment with the British media, Lewis aired his opinions on any subject that came up: Olympic waiver contracts. the sport's shortcomings, drug abuse, the jail-building programme, United States team selection and, inevitably,

ing school in rugby, but if

lessons are quickly learnt --

and Jim Telfer, the manager,

an All Black devotee, will

ensure they are - then all

should not be lost. As much as

anything else, the players will

have to ignore the fact that, in

18 attempts, no Scotland side

has beaten New Zealand.

Telfer has stressed the need

for mental toughness, a com-

modity that has served the All

Vanessa's just insured

the contents of her home for

£10.20 a month.



Lewis celebrates as he crosses the line second, but with his best time for five years. Photograph: Tannen Maury

Christie is playing coy about whether he will defend his Olympic title but Lewis just laughs. "If he says it now, he takes away the drama," Lewis said. "I know Linford will be in Atlanta running.

The explanation of his support for Olympic waivers, in which athletes must sign to abide by the International

Scotland sense New Zealand vulnerability

tions what he calls their cyni-

Scotland have improved im-

cism in their pursuit of victory.

measurably over the past two

seasons and, with a little more

self-belief, could have been

travelling as five nations'

champions and achievers of

the grand slam, but Teller is

concerned that the Super 12

series and professionalism in

the southern hemisphere have

only widened the gulf in

standards with nations in the

north. While the warm-up

arbitration for sport, was curious. Diane Modahl, for one. will find Lewis's assertion that "an innocent person, a person who is not taking drugs, should not be worried about it" alarming.

His sport, he said, though he applauded its move towards professionalism, was too conservative. "We have to broaden our marketing and

paper at least, as taxing as in

previous tours, the two inter-

nationals, in Dunedin and

Yet to dismiss Scotland's

hopes would be an injustice to

a side that illuminated the five

nations' championship. New

Zealand bring out the best in

the Scots, partly because of the

empathy of the two peoples,

the similar weather and a

shared belief in a rucking style

of rugby. Nick Broughton, the

Auckland, will be.

put on competitions that appeal to the public." Lewis said. He was critical, too, of the United States first three past the post selection system.

He believes his country is spending too much on building jails and not enough on programmes for young people. "We can make a new jail every day and we will never have enough - so we

Otago-born flanker who re-

turns only seven months after

declaring his Scottish alle-

giance, said Scotland are the

most popular tourists to New

They are going through a

Zealand. He also believes the

period of change and have a

new coach in John Hart,"

Broughton said. "Some of the

players don't know where they

stand, so it's a prime time to

DETAILS

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TINEPARY: May 28: Wangamu. May 31: Northland. June 5: Wakato. June 8: Southland June 11: South Island June 15:

party - seven of whom toured

in 1990 and eight of whom are

uncapped - which has been picked for its physical pres-

wright said. "While there is an

aura about them, scratch be-

low the surface and they're

only 15 rugby players. Scot-

land don't have the strength in

depth New Zealand have, but

We are committed, there's a

great spirit in the party and we

are going there to win."

our best XV can match them.

Rob Wainwright leads the

take them."

All Blacks can be beaten.

should start trying to keep them [the young] out." He will not be moving into politics: he would rather work with charities. "Money," he said, "is not anything I have to worry about. And rich will be the man who inherits King Carl's counting house. Whether it will contain only eight Olym-

pic gold medals one must seriously begin to doubt. Richmond add Mason

to portfolio

RICHMOND, who have already signed five internationals in their bid to progress untroubled from the third to the first division of English rugby, added a sixth yesterday (David Hands writes). Simon Mason, the Ireland full back, joins Ben Clarke, Scott Quinnell, Andy Moore, Adrian Davies and Richard West, and Richmond have not

the near future. Mason, 22, a student at Leeds Metropolitan University, moved from Newcastle to Orrell last season and his goalkicking and attacking flair contributed substantially to Orrell surviving a difficult transitional year. He was also capped twice, against Wales and England, and played for Ireland against the Barbarians in the peace international

ruled out a further signing

probably a lock forward, in

"I am delighted, not only to be able to expand my career. but also to play for one of the most established names in

on Saturday.

rugby," Mason said. He will, however, be one of the dozen or so Ireland players who will hope that their club commitments in Engence and ability to "stand up and be counted". "Of course they can be beaten." Wainland will not clash with international squad duties, al-though Pat Whelan, the Ireland manager, is confident such conflicts will not occur. Christian Cullen, who took the Hong Kong sevens by storm in the winning New Zealand team, has been named in the shadow All Blacks XV that will play a trial game against New Zealand Barbarians on June 1.

Power's play undone by zealous refereeing

FROM COLIN McQuillan in GIZA, EGYPT 13-15, 15-11, 15-13, 15-12, but it CHRIS WALKER, the Eng-

himself as the outdoor escape artist of the world squash tour. In Bombay last December,

when the Mahindra Challenge was played on a Perspex showcourt mounted on the oval of the Cricket Club of India, Walker survived a series of tight encounters and defeated Rodney Eyles, of Australia, the world No 2, to reach his first Super Series final. It was a breakthrough exceeded only by the success of Peter Nicol, of Scotland, who beat him in the final.

In the second round of the Al Ahram International '96, under the night skies of the Egyptian desert, Walker scraped past Jonathan Power. of Canada, after trailing by two games - partly because of heavy-handed refereeing by Jack Allen, from Ireland - to reach a quarter-final late last night against Brett Martin, the world No 3, another junior champion.

Australian. Walker beat Power 13-15,

took Allen's refusal to allow a winning kill from Power at 11-10 in the third game. because he was "unsighted", and then a punitive conduct stroke for "time wasting" when Power protested at the conversion of a let call to a penalty stroke at the start of the fifth, to swing things Walker's way.

Nicol, meanwhile, progressed calmly to a quarterfinal against Mark Cairns, of England, but his hopes of a second open-air title may be limited by the presence here of Jansher Khan, of Pakistan, the world champion, who chose to miss the event in Bombay.

Jansher was due last night to play Simon Parke, of England, who acknowledges he is only 65 per cent lit after four months' chemotherapy for testicular cancer, while Eyles was due to meet Ahmed Barada, from Egypt, the world

RADIO CHOICE

Connected by tapespeak

There's a good reason why I can't tell you what the title of this short play is. It doesn't have one. There is also a logical explanation of why play is. It doesn't have one. I nere is also a urgual caphananon of why I can't tell you the writer's real name. He/she calls himself/herself Sam McCartney, a pen-name. Given the nature of the play, this leaf of definition is appropriate. Its two characters, husband and wife, never speak directly to each other. They talk into a tape recorder. The couple really have only one thing in common — grief over the suicide of their circle on. This is a gray, ead play, strong on atmosphere. of their sick son. This is a grey, sad play, strong on amosphere. The only external sound we hear is the rain, driving against the windows of a New York apartment. George Parsons and Tessa Worsley play the electronically-dependent communicators.

The Secret Life of Marineville. Radio 4 (FM), 10.00am.

You will have forgotten (I had) what Marineville was. It was a submarine base constructed from the fertile imagination of Gerry Anderson. His stiff-jointed puppets. Troy Tempest, his assistant Phones, and Marina, the undersea belle, made their way through many episodes of a futuristic series called Stingray in the 1960s. Marineville was a bit like Milton Keynes with mis says in this nostalgic feature. All I remember about Stingray is the all-too-visible strings that gave the Anderson puppers some semblance of life, and a villainous master of disguise called X20, who spoke just like Peter Lorre.

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RADIO 2

PM Stereo 6.00cm Sarah Kennedy 7.30 Wake Up to Wogan 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Anne Robinson 1.30pm Debbie Tracker 3.00 Ed Stewart 5.05 Frances Edmonds 7.00 Haves over Britain 8.30 Explate !! (1/6) 9,00 The Dickia Valentine Story 10.00 Ironic Maidens (2.6 (i) 19,30 The Jamesons 12,05em Steve Madden 3.00 Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morrang Reports 6.00 The Breakfast Programme, Incl 6.55, 7.55 recing preview 8.35 The Magazine 12.00 Midday with Mair, Incl 12.35pm fore, check 2.05 Ruscoe on Five, incl Racing from Goodwood 4.00 Nation-wide not 5.45 Entertainment News 7.00 News Extra, with Valene Sanderson 7.35 Inside Edge, with Rob Bormet, not at 7.50 The Business of Sport and at 8.35 7.50 The Business of Sport and at 8.35 Sport First for and by people with disabilities 9.05 Any Sporting Questions, live from the AI England Lawn Termis Association, Wimbledon with Pat Murphy 10.05 News Talk 11.00 Night Extra, and 11.15 The Financial World Tonight 12.05 am After Hours 2.05 Up All Night

TALK RADIO

6.30am Paul Ross 10.00 Scott Chis-CAMENT FAM POSS 19,000 SCOTT CAS-holm 1,00pm Arine Raebum 3,00 Tontony Boyd 5,00 Peter Deeley 7,00 Sport 10,00 James Whale 1,00am tan Collins

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CLASSIC FM

4.00am Mark Griffiths 6.00 Mike Read 9.00 Henry Kelly 12.00 Susannal Smons 2.00pm Concerto 3.00 Jami Crick 6.00 Newshight 6.30 Sonata 7.0 Smorts 2,00pm Cortesto 3,00 James Crick 6,00 Newsright 6,30 Sonata 7,00 The Opera Guide 8,00 Evering Concert 10,00 Michael Mapphr 1,00am Met

VIRGIN RADIO

6.00am Russ 'n' Joho 9.00 Richard Skinner 12.00 Graham Dene 4.00pm Nicky Home 7.30 Paul Coyte 10.00 Mark Forrest 2.00am Robin Banks 5:44

6.00sm On Air. Includes J.C. Bach (Overture: La Guifis); Strauss (Violin Sonata in E flat, Op 18);Crusell (Clarinet Concerto No 1 in E flat); Chopin (Ballade No 2 in F. Op 38): Abel (Frena le belle lagri Silari); Berlioz (Overture

9,00 Morning Collection, with Paul Gambaccini. Zavater (Violin Concerto No 12 in G, La Tempesta di mare); Prokoliev (Suite: Lieutenant Kije); C.P.E. Bach

(Harpsichord Concerto in A) 10.00 Musical Encounters. Bath Festival including Rubbra (The Moming Watch); Mozart (String Quartet in D minor); 10,40 Artist of the Week: (String Ouarlet in D minor);
10.40 Artist of the Week:
Roger Vignoles, piano.
Purcell, arr Britten (In the black, dismal dungeon of despair); 10.00 Cabaret songs 11.05 Schumann (Marcharbilder, Op 113); Haydn (String Ouarlet in C, Op 20 No 2, 3rd movement); Delius (Sleigh Ride); 11.45 Cabaret songs
12.00 Composer of the Week: Respight.
1.00pm BBC Festival of Brass
1996. The Black Dyke Mills Band under James Watson. Nigel Clarke (The Pendle); Edward Watson (The Tuming Seasons); Philip Wilby, after Purcell (Symphony for Double Brass, Revelation)
2.00 Schools Playtime 2.15 Time to Move 2.35 Listen!
3.00 The BBC Orchestras. BBC Philharmonic US Tour under Yan Pascal Torteliar and Peter Manual Defeated Labora.

Yan Pascal Tortelier and Peter Maxwell Davies; Hakan Hardenberger, trumpet. Ravel (Rapsodle espagnole);

Maxwell Davies (Trumpet Concerto); Debussy (La Mer) 4.15 Dirk Schafer. Piano Quintel in 0 flat 5.00 The Music Machine, with

Tommy Pearson. From Wadebridge School, Cornwall 5.15 in Tune. includes Villa-Lobos (Shallow Brown); Mozart (Piano Concerto No 13 in C)

7.30 Live at Turner Sims, Paul Guinery introduces the first of four chamber music concerts tour chamber music concerts
Mendelssohn (String
Symphony No 12 in G minor);
Bach (Ricercar a 5, Musical
Offering); Stravinksy
(Concerto in D, Basile
concerto); 8.15 The Weather
in Warsaw; 8.35 Mozart
(Adagio and Fugue in C
minor); Tchail.couslo

(Acagio and Fugue in C minor); Tchaikovsky (Serenade in C) 9.30 Jelly Mountain. With Ivor Cutter 9.45 Handel and After. Maggie Cole, harpsichord. Handel (Suite No 1 in A); Rameau (Nouvelles suites de pieces de clavecin, Book II, excerots): Brvars (After

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excepts); Bryars (Alter
Handel's Vesper); Bach
(Partita No 2 in C minor) (r)
10.45 Night Waves, with Richard
Coles
11.30 Composer of the Week
Clara Schumsann (r)
12.30am Jazz Notes, with Digby
Fairweather
1.00 Night School: Lifeskills
1.30 Through the Night, with
Donald Macleod, Includes
1.30 Orchestral music by
Beethoven, Mozart and

Baethoven, Mozart and Brahms 3.00 Fantasias by Purcell 3.35 Mahler (Symphony No 8) **5.00** Sequence

RADIO 4

5.55am Shapping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Briefing incl Weather 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today incl 7.25, 8.25 Sports

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7.45 Thought for the Day
8.40 Yesterday in Parliament
8.58 Weather
9.00 News; 9.05 Call Nick Ross:
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10.00 News; The Secret Life of
Marineville (FM only). See
Choice
10.00 Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 This Sceptr'd Isle (LW only)
10.30 Woman's Hour
11.30 All in the Mind. On call 24
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12.00pm News; You and Yours,
with Lesley Riddoch

12.25 Quote... Unquote. Joining
Nigel Rees are Itit HeskethHavey, Denis Norden, Sandi
Toksvig and Polly Toynbee.
Reader William Franklyn

12.55 Weather

1.00 The World At One, with Nick
Clarke

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55

Shipping Forecast
2.00 News; Thirty Minute
Theatre, See Choice
2.30 Comparing Notes with
Brian Kay, in the last
programme in the series,
Brian Kay talks to the cellists
Stephen Isseriis and Julian
Linet Wahber. Llovd Webber 3.00 The Afternoon Shift

4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidos Paul Vaughan's studio guest is the Russian barrione Dmitri 4.45 Short Story: Down Under, by David Stenhouse. A family

evening around the Ouija board sends Aunt Julia to Australia in search of her state. Read by Tom Smith 5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.30 Some Tame Gazelle. A dramatisation of Barbara Pym's novel by Elizabeth Proud. With David Holt and Peter Jeffrey (5/6) (r) 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 File on 4, with Mark Whitaker 8.00 Science Now. Georgina Ferry presents highlights from this year's Rhône Poulenc prizes for science books (r) 8.30 The Network. Has art embraced the information

age? Alun Laws investigates
9.00 in Touch Peter White with
news, views and information
for visually impaired people
9.30 Kaleidoscope 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight, with
Robin Lustig

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11.30 Word of Mouth (FM only). The last programme in the series about words and the way we speak. Rusself Davies explores the language of the street (r)

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12.00 News Incl 12.27am approx Weather 12.30 The Late Book: The Stone Diaries, by Carol Shields. Abridged by Alison Joseph, read by Shelley Thompson (7/10) (r) 12.48 Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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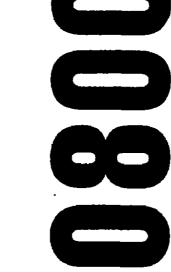
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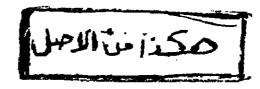
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A portrait of the artist as a tireless voyeur

udity, four-letter words: for a moment last night [thought I must be on Channel 4. watching the repeat of Karaoke. But no - I checked the remote control, there was no mistake. The channel was BBCI and the programme — all bosoms, bottoms and critical invective was Omnibus.

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To be fair to its makers it would be difficult, nigh-on impossible, to produce a film called Degas: An Old Man Mad About Art without a pretty generous flash or three of female flesh. As Richard Kendall. an art historian clearly under instruction to keep the titillation content high, explained, this was pretty much what kept the old chap happy in his declining years: For the last 20 or 30 years of his life he spent hour after hour, day after day, locked in his studio, painting naked women." Well, at least that explained the failing eyesight. His, I mean.

Serious appreciators of art will no doubt have gibbed at this tabloid treatment of an artist arguably (but apparently not very) labelled the greatest draughtsman of all time. Others, such as myself, who had him filed uncertainly under king of the stooped nudes (or was that Gauguin?), sat back and prepared to be educated. Which is how I now know that over his long working life Degas went from being awfully good at drawing to

even better at colouring in. Having flirted alarmingly with pretension in the early stages - "I remember very clearly the moment when I first became excited about Degas' late work" - Kendall proved a rewarding guide to his subject's evolving style. But when-ever the pace of this drift into pastel threatened to slow, the producer would shout "more sex please. Richard" and we would be

Montmartre, Pigalle, the Mou-

lin Rouge . . . we revisited them all. We learnt that Degas had got an early interest in "stocking tops and pubic triangles" out of his artistic system pretty quickly. To such an extent, in fact, that his later work could hardly be considered sexy at all - which, unless you have got a real thing about faceless women standing in washing-up bowls. seemed a pretty safe call.

Il this, of course, said rather A more about television than it did about art. But that may not have been altogether a bad thing, if one glorious exchange of artistic views towards the end of the programme was anything to go by. By now we knew that a picture of a nude female arched uncomfortably over the back of a sofa definitely wasn't sexy, so what was it about? "Is it a picture about the colour red?" asked Kendall. Howard Hodgkin paused for an eternity and pronounced: "No." Lovely.

REVIEW



I may not know about art but I do know a smidgen about genetics. enough to be both hugely im-pressed and a little dismayed by Professor Steve Jones's In the Blood (BBC2). The task that the amiable Jones has set himself is commendable but awesome - to introduce us to the complex world of modern genetics without using jargon, without using graphics and without using that tired libra-

There is no doubt he is producing fascinating television, but with two programmes now under his belt there are signs that their appeal is despite the genetics rather than because of it. The easygoing Jones is good company and more than happy to be side-tracked by his interviewees taking us with him. Last week I learnt more about biblical history and modern Israel than I did about genetics and it was pretty much the same last night. The social stigma experienced by survivors of the Hiroshima atomic

hunting mutations. Jones, you get the impression, is reluctant to explain anything, presumably for fear of losing us; and on the rare occasion he does attempt to, you quickly understand

bomb or the marriage habits of

Orthodox Jewish north London

His preferred solution to the old lecture-room challenge of getting one important fact over is to leave us with a telling phrase. Last night the chosen fact was that it is not radiation or pollution that is the biggest threat to the genetic status quo, but elderly fathers. Having traced the incidence of haemophilia back through the Royal Families of England and Spain, he memorably concluded that "the mutation must have occurred in the august testicles of Queen Victoria's father". For the record, Edward, Duke of Kent was 51 at the time.

proved a lot more accessible than cience of a rather more basic kind was the subject of the final An Inspector Calls (Channel 4), which followed Newcastle's team of environmental health officers during last year's why. Let us just say, he is not a hot summer. August, we learnt,

was a wickedly good month for salmonella.

The film embraced the inevitably lavatorial humour that helps the inspectors to get through the day a little too enthusiastically. The pictures of a filthy kitchen in a Chinese restaurant required little in the way of scatological

But scatological we remained. largely thanks to Iggy the iguana, a pet reptile suspected of infecting a six-month-old baby with food poisoning. How do you test whether an iguana is positive for salmonella? Well, very carefully, for a start. Even Newcastle's intrepid faecal co-ordinator was having his doubts. But expert help was at rubber-gloved hand. "Have you done this before?" asked our man with the sample bottles. "Oh yes," replied the expert, applying cotton bud to saurian nether region. Definitely time for somebody to give up their day job.

6.00am Business Breakfast (52605) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceefax) (83976) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (Ceefax)

9.20 Style Counsel (s) (7791003) 9.45 Kilroy (s) (6690150) 10.30 Good Morning (s) (a) (039/150) 10.30 Good Morring (s) (33402) 12.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (1683518) 12.05pm Call My Bluff (s) (5818150) 12.35 Going for Gold (s)(4308570)

1.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (86063) 1.30 Regional News and weather (62595044) 1.40 Neighbours (Ceefax) (s) (69023957) 2.00 The Season; Darts (15480082)

2.20 Racing from Goodwood (s) (1842150) 3.50 The Silver Brumby (s) (2355353) 4.10 Dennis the Menace (Ceefax) (s) (5604150) 4.35 Out of Tune (Ceefax) (s) (2631334) 5.00 Newsround (Ceelax) (7090266) 5.10 Activ-8 (Ceefax) (s)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (Ceetax) (s) (826131) 6.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (773) 6.30 Regional News Magazines (353)

7.00 2point4 Children: Mayday. Family comedy. The harmonious family Bank Holiday that Bill had longed for turns sour when Clive's German grandmother comes to tea (r) (Ceefax) (s) (4315)

7.30 EastEnders. Champagne flows at the Mitchell clari's christening party, but fate strikes a cruel blow at the height of the festivities; and David and Cindy find that they have differing views of the future (Ceetax) (s) (537)

8.00 Great Ormand Street. In the last of the hospital series, two youngsters are waiting for kidney transplants; surgeon Ossie Fernando is on alert to pick up a donor kidney it a suitable match can be found (Ceefax) (3063)

8.30 Funny World: The Funny World of Childhood, Barbara Windsor Introduces themed sketches and sit-com excerpts

9.00 News (Ceelax), regional news and weather (5537)

9.30 Week in Week Out 10.00 Flying Soldiers 10.30 Cardiac Arrest 11.00 A Knife to the Heart 11.50-1.20am FILM:

10.00 Cardiac Arrest. Claire oversteps the mark when she pushes a bereaved father to consent to give his child's organs to save the life of a dying teenager; and a new nurse sets Raj's pulses racing

(Ceefax) (s) (53537) 10.30 A Knife to the Heart: The Great Organ Hunt. In the final episode of the series about the history of transplant surgery, a look at the methods being employed to meet the demand for transplantable organs when there are not enough to go

around (Ceetax) (s) (186570) 11.25 FILM: Blind Hate (1990). Based on the true story of Ku-Klux-Klan opponent Morris Dees and his determination to halt the Klan's plans to bring down the American Government. With Corbin Bernsen and Jenny Lewis Directed by John Korty (Ceefax) (s) (295957)

12.55am Weather (6680984)

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The numbers next to each TV programme listing are Video PflusCode*** numbers, which allow you to programme your video recorder instantly with a VideoPflus+*** handset. Tap in the Video PflusCode for the programme you wish to record. Videopflus+ (**), Pfluscode (**) and Video Programmer are trademarks of Gernstar Development Ltd. 6.00am Open University: Understanding Space and Time (7955808) 6.25 Problems with lons (7934315) 6.50 The Ongins of State Social Work (5967808)

7.15 See Hear Breakfast News (4355976) 7.30 Smurfs' Adventures (64841) 8.00 Blue Peter (r) (Ceefax) (s) (7006082) 8.25 Oakle Doke (r) (s) (5074995) 8.40 The Record (s) (8575957)

9.05 Daytime on Two: The Limit (s) (7514889) 9.45 Watch (s) (5427605) 10.00 Playdays (r) (2921711) 10.25 Come Outside (2058808) 10.40 Lifeschool (s) (6582421) 11.05 Space Ark (s) (9980060) 11.15 Writing and Pictures (Ceefax) (s) (9107353) 11.30 Ghostwriter (s) (4044) 12.00 See Hear! (r) (43150) 12.30pm Working Lunch (70792) 1.00 Teaching Today (s) (84605) 1.30 Showcase (s) (62593686) 1.40 Hotch Potch House (s) (69021599) 2.00 Oakie Doke (r) (s) (44598841)

2.10 The Andrew Neil Show (s) (7867228) 3.00 News (Ceelax) (7610044) 3.05 Westminster (Ceelax) (s) (9292353) 3.55 News (Ceelax) (6761518)

4.00 Racing from Goodwood (s) (266) 4.30 Ready, Steady, Cook (s) (150) 5.00 Today's the Day (s) (5421) 5.30 Wartime Weddings (r) (642266) 5.40 The Ladies of the House: Emma Nicholson, MP (355228)

6.00 Fresh Prince of Bel Air (s) (828150) 6.25 Heartbreak High (793841) 7.10 Gower's Cricket Monthly. David Gower presents the cricket magazine from Hove,

where the Indian tourists take on Sussex (Ceefax) (s) (486334) 8.00 The Works: The Secrets of S-21. Three years ago photojoumalists Christopher Riley and Doug Niven came across photographic evidence of one of Cambodia's infamous prison camps in Phnom Pehn. (Ceefax) (s) (1605)

8.30 Floyd on Africa. (5/7) Keith Floyd combines his love of fine food with his passion for rugby as he reaches Durban on his tour of South Africa. Here he cooks a barbeque and discovers the delights of the tocal speciality of bunny chow, a selection of vegetable curies. (Ceefax) (s) (8452)

9.00 Murder One Chapter Twelve. The long- awaited Avedon trial begins, but is brought to an abrupt halt when news reaches Hoffman that his daughter has been abducted (Ceefax) (s) (617044)



Caroline and Simon (9.45pm)

9.45 Per l'il Just See If He's In: Bosses and Secretaries (Ceelax) (622537) 10.30 Newsnight (Ceelax) (990860)

11.15 Moving Pictures. Film magazine (Ceelax) (515353) 12.00 The Midnight Hour (s) (32716) 12.30am-6.00 The Learning Zone

CHOICE

Without Walls: My Generation -Herman's Hermits Channel 4, 9.00pm

Herman's Hermits were the Take That of the 1960s, a boy band who projected a clean-cut image and sang songs you could tap your feet to. Behind the scenes, as this diverting memoir reveals, the reality was not so wholesome. The band once wrecked a hotel in Michigan and were blacklisted thereafter by the Holiday Inn chain. One of the members admits to becoming an alcoholic. But all the public saw, between 1964 and 1970, was an effortless flow of hits delivered with easy-listening charm. The band's popularity rivalled that of the Beatles, not least in the America. Even a dressed-up version of an old music-hall song, I'm 'Enery the Eighth, I Am, had young girls screaming in the streets of New York

Flying Soldiers: Airborne BBC1.9.30pm

Ten young soldiers report for training at Middle Wallop in Wiltshire, hoping to fly helicopters for the Army. They have a year to earn their wings and we are assured it will be the most demanding year of their lives. The television cameras follow their progress, getting inside the cockpit to record the pilots' anxious faces and to share their eye-catching views. The pull of the series is twofold. First of all it gives those of us who will never get near a helicopter's controls the chance to experience the sensation from our armchairs. And, secondly, there is the fascination of seeing who will make it and who will not. Tonight's film concentrates on Corporal Mark Hitch. He had no previous flying experience and only just made the course. Now he is struggling to get through the first stage, which involves learning the basic skills on fixed-wing Chipmunks.

I'll Just See If He's In: Bosses and BBC2. 9.45pm

With a jocular commentary by David Stafford, delivered by June Whitfield, a three-part series on the British secretary is off to a splendidly watchable start. Julia Cleverdon, chief executive of one of the Prince of Wales's charities, is a dynamic force but a hopeless timekeeper. Her ball and chain is her personal assistant, Bernie Hearn, Sometimes it is difficult to know who is in charge. Bernie agrees that she is bossy, saying that with Julia, she has to be. Pamela Lumb has been serving her boss for 12 years, and still calls him Mr Snith. In that time, he has made her a cup of tea twice. She says she sometimes feels like a mother hen. Simon Blagden admits that without his secretary he is helpless. Poor Caroline Richards can hardly go to the ladies without being called up on the internal mobile.

Network First: Miss Popular's Crack City ITV, 10.40pm

Karen Lawson, known as Miss Popular, may seem an unlikely recruit to the ranks of addicts to crack cocaine. From a comfortable middle-class background, married with two daughters, she lived in an expensive house in Nottingham. Then her husband fell into debt, the marriage broke up and drugs became a way of dulling the pain. When she ran into debt with her suppliers, she became a prostitute. Wendy, a fellow prostitute, became an addict at 13 and three years on she is pregnant. The film traces the women stories and the efforts of a pioneering Crack Awareness Team to break their habit. Karen and Wendy are lucky to have somebody to care about them. Many addicts drift away beyond help. But you wonder, as you follow the women's shaky progress, whether it is Peter Waymark

6.00am GMTV (4565650)

9.25 Supermarket Sweep (s) (7358599) 9.55 Regional News (Teletext) (2908860) 10.00 The Time ... the Place (s) (6250537) 10.35 This Morning (50675131)

12.20pm Regional News (Teletext) (1672402) 12.30 News and weather (Teletext) (4334995) 12.55 Shortland Street (s) (4319686)

1.25 High Road (Teletext) (1635537)
2.00 Home and Away (s) (Teletext) (19593063)

2.25 Murder, She Wrote (r) (7873889) 3.20 News headlines (Teletext) (7627334)

3.25 Regional News (Teletext) (7626605) 3.30 The Magic House (r) (s) (6239155) 3.40
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(Teletext) (s) (5605889) 4.40 Chris
Cross (r) (Teletext) (s) (2005150)

5.10 Forgotten Ports (9592247) 5.40 News and weather (Teletext) (626228) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (s) (822976)

6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (841119) 7.00 Emmerdale. Dave takes pleasure in breaking some news to Frank and Pollard

suggests a way in which Jan can wipe the slate clean. (Teletext) (s) (2711)
7.30 West Eye View. James Garrett investigates the threat of millions of pounds of worth of damage to the West's

military bases due to lack of precautions and Alison Delaney gets to the bottom of the rising pollution problem in the Avon Gorge (Teletext) (605) 8.00 The Bill. Brownlow becomes a man with a mission after witnessing a violent outburst on the road (Telelext) (8131)

8.30 The Cook Report, Roger Cook investigates their from the construction industry (s) (7266)

9.00 Frontiers. The contrasting styles of the two police forces become abundantly poses a terrorist threat (Teletext) (s)

10.00 News and weather (Teletext) (48605) 10.30 Regional News (Teletext) (108402)



Addict Karen Lawson (10,40pm)

10.40 Network First: Miss Popular's Crack City (Teletext) (s) (190773)

11.40 Max Monroe: Loose Cannon (973353) 12.40 FILM: Asylum (1974) with Peter Cushing and Robert Powell. A young doctor has to identify a madman at a lunatic asylum when he goes for a job interview. Directed by Roy Ward Baker (151209)

2.20 Late & Loud (s) (7457716) 3.15 The Chart Show (r) (s) (6611700) 4.10 Murder, She Wrote (r) (2135377) 5,00 The LADS (s) (35990) 5.30 Morning News (57071)

As HTV WEST except: 5.10pm-5.40 Yan Can Cook (9592247) 6.25-7.00 Wales Tonight (841119)

WESTCOUNTRY As HTV West except:

7.30-8.00 Homeground (605)

12.25-12.30 My Story (1680421) 12.55 Emmerdale (4319686) 1.25-1.55 Cross Wits (31082889) 1.55 Home and Away (39357402)

2.25 Liz Earle's Lifestyle (19596150) 2.55-3.20 A Country Practice (6360334) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (9592247) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (82537) 7.30-8.00 Animal Passions (605) 11.40 Prisoner Cell Block H (973353)

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2,50-3,20 Surprise Chefs (2128179) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (9592247) 6.25-7.00 Central News and Weather

(841119) 7.30-8.00 24 Hours (605) 11.40 Film: Murder in High Places (140334) 1.25am Late & Loud (4249822)

2.30 Funny Business (5898342) 2.55 The Good Sex Guide... Late (1949025) 3.50 Jobfinder (2742919) 5.20 Asian Eve (3826648)

MERIDIAN

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5.10 Home and Away (9592247) 5.37-5.40 Three Minutes — Making It Happen (567537) 6.00 Meridian Tonight (841) 6.30-7.00 On Your Marks (421) 7.30-8.00 Danger Money (605) 11.40 Prisoner Cell Block H (973353)

5,00am Freescreen (35990)

\$10 Starts: 6.30 Chicken Minute (48315) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (76686) 9.00 The Golden Girls (58082) 9.30 Ysgolion: Eureka! (5424518) 9.45 law! (6974686) 10.10 Cr Sinn is Carson (6540421) 10.30 Using Museums (54266) 11.00 Science in Focus (3505150) 11.20 Stage One (9199334) 11.35 Schools at Work (5824711) 11.40 GNVQ — is it for You? (7648266) 12.00 House to House (45518) (7648266) 12.00 House to House (45518) 12.30pm Madeline (65860) 1.00 Slot Melthrin (79773) 1.30 The Gaby Rosiin Show (63228) 2.30 Scrimpers (222) 3.00 Wild Britain (5044) 3.30 Go Fishing (599) 4.00 Secrets of the Moor (334) 4.30 Rescue (518) 5.00 5 Pump: Uned 5 (7889) 5.30 Fifteen to One (570) 6.00 Newyddion (288518) 6.15 Heno (722353) 7.00 Newyddion (285518) 5.15 Heno (722353) 7.00 Pobol Y Cwm (100688) 7.25 Shotolau (368599) 8.00 Rap (6773) 8.30 Newyddion (5808) 9.00 And the Eest Goes On (6518) 10.00 Brookside (665402) 10.35 Triumph of the Nerds (199044) 11.35 My Generation: Herman's Hermits (160402) 12.05am Painted Ladies; Aesthetic Lust (9949551)

6.30am Chicken Minute (r) (48315) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (76686)

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(69028402) 2.20 FILM: Four Sons (1940, b/w) with Don Ameche. A Second World War drama about the trials and tribulations of a lamily of four brothers and their mother during the invesion of Czechoslovakia. Directed by Archie Mayo (Teletext) (380228)

4.00 Secrets of the Moor (Teletext) (334)
4.30 Fifteen to One (Teletext) (s) (518)
5.00 Ricki Lake (Teletext) (s) (1681808)
5.45 Terrytoons (616841) 6.00 The
Avengers (f) (Teletext) (80179)

7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) (108044) 7.55 The Slot (458995) 8.00 Classic Trucks. The series concludes with a look at monster trucks (r) (Teletext)

8.30 Brookside (Teletext) (s) (5808)



Herman and the Hermits (9.00pm)

9.00 Without Walls: My Genera-tion — Herman's Hermits (Teletext) (s) (8247)

9.30 Without Walls: Painted Ladies — Aesthetic Lust Vivienne Westwood explores the relationship between art and lashion (Teletext) (s) (85624)

10.00 The Boys of Saint Vincent. Conduding the second and final part of the multi award-winning Canadian drama about the exposure of the sexual abuse suffered by children at a church-run orphanage (r) (Teletext) (835570)

11.50 Blue Heaven. Comedy series written by and starring Frank Skinner (r) (s) (166486) 12.20am World League Football (9438006) 12.55 Hunters. Documentary profile of John and Angela McShane, who live on the edge of Australia's Great Victoria Desert (r) (3210919)

1.25 FILM: Buildog Drummond Strikes Back (1934, b/w) with Ronald Colman, Loretta Young and Charles Butterworth. Sapper's hero breaks off his honeymoon to investigate the case of a disappearing body. Directed by Roy del Ruth (2825006)

2.55 Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras. A look at the world's biggest gay festival (r) (s) (7567629). Ends at 4.00

● For more comprehensive listings of satellite and cable channels, see the Vision supplement, published Saturday

7,00am Undun (29792) 9,00 Press Your Luck (4083155) 9,20 Love Connection (9489682) 9,46 Oprah Wintrey (4254082) 10,40 Jeopardy (9652247) 11,10 Sally Jessy Raphael (3700806) 12,00 Beechy (21501) 1,00pm Hotel (22179) 2,00 Geraldo (63402) 3,00 Court TV (1119) 3,30 Oprah Wintrey (9657727) 4,15 Undun (7138773) 5,00 Sur Trek: The Next Generation (4841) 6,00 The Simpsons (1860) 6,39 Jeopardy (2112) 7,00 LAPD (5570) 7,30 M*A*S*H (1624) 8,00 Jag (54792) 9,00 The X-Files (4129) 10,00 Murder One (403711) 12,30am Star Trek. The Next Generation (14008) 1,30 Lale Show (5048754) 2,15 Hil Mir (76834939) SKY NEWS

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6.00am State Fair (1962) (87063) 8.00
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Blue (1994) (688841) 1.20am Dangerous
Heart (1994) (688841) 1.20am Dangerous
Heart (1994) (4801087) 4.20 Lact A
Dog (1982) (421613)
SKY MOVIES GOLD

4.00pm One Hundred Men and a Girl (1937) (8287260) 6.00 His Kind of Woman (1951) (24599) 8.00 Enemy Mine

(1985) (29044) 10.00 Sudden Impact (1983) (65908063) 12.05am That Ob-scure Object of Desire (1977) (442938) 1.50-3.35 The Shoriff of Fractured Jaw (1958) (554193)

THE DISNEY CHANNEL

Sky Movies Gold takes over from 10pm Sky Movies Gold takes over from 10pm to 4em.
6.00am Muppel Bables (92221860) 6.30 Ducktakes (36675808) 7.00 Ouack Attack (87546841) 7.30 Chip in Dale (87565976) 8.00 Darkwing Duck (5038680) 8.30 Adventures in Woodestand (50385131) 9.00 Lamb Chop (50309711) 9.30 Fraggle Rock (54957888) 10.00 The Muppet Bables (3665960) 10.30 Pooh Corner (50305931) 11.00 Under the Umbrella Tires (97709044) 11.30 Dumbo's Circus (97700773) 12.00 Disney Presents (54930112) 1.00pm The Marge Sword (9228537) 2.30 Deepwater Haven (45311421) 3.00 Ducksales (47395063) 3.30 Quack Attack (45323286) 4.00 Cmp in Dale (45302773) 4.30 Derivwing Duck (45308957) 5.00 Boy Meets World (47397808) 5.30 Dange Boy (45325376) 6.00 Tarzan (45312150) 6.30 Dinoseum (45303402) 7.00 Thunder Alley (47377044) 7.30 Malung of Muppet Treasum Island (55885112) 7.58 FILM A Righting Choice (31995063) 9.30-10.00 Processing (69031841)

EUROSPORT 7.30em Formula 1 (224211 9.00 Speedword (30334) 11.00 Live Terms (8584044) 4.00pm Titathion (67782) 5.00 Football (5353) 5.00 Boong Repeat (95773) 7.00 Tractor Pulling (94334) 8.00 Live Boxing (74570) 10.00 Football (93605) 11.00-12.30am Snooker (35247)

SKY SPORTS

7.00am Windsurfing Tour (76624) 7.30
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News (60599) 9.00 Aerobics Cz Style
(84179) 9.30 Styl Selling (81570) 10.00
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Europe Round One (37814) 12.00 Aerobics
Cz Style (64315) 12.30pm Tarten Edra
(97247) 2.30 Champtons Tennis Tour
Washington (77222) 3.30 Styl Selling
(87824) 4.00 Roller Hockey (78624) 5.00
World Wrestling Federation — Mania (7957)
6.00 Sky Sports Centre (319112) 6.05 Astan
Frotiball Show (520957) 7.00 World Wide
Rugby, Super 12's Semi-final One and Two
(82605) 10.00 Sky Sports Centre (241806)
10.18 Andersen World Goll Champtonship
Europe Semi-finals and Final (473131)
12.18am World Wide Rugby (87883700)
3.15-3.30 Sky Sports Centre (94461006)
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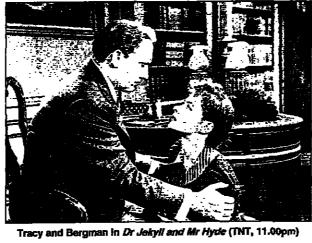
of Motor Racino (4990421) The Golden Age of Motor Racing (4990421) 12.30mm-1.00 Blood, Sweat and Glory THE CHRISTIAN CHANNEL

10.00mm FA Cum Classics (6285082) 11.30

4.00am Thought for the Day 4.05 Worship 4.15 Kids Tv 4.30 Jack Van Impe Presents 5.00 Voice of Victory 5.30 Christian Music TV 5.45 Chronicles of Revival with Rodriey Howard-browne 6.15 Power for Living 5.45 7.00 Good Marring Europe SKY SOAP

7.00em Guding Light (8195179) 7.55 As the World Turns (2284112) 8.50 Peyton Place (7431266) 9.20 Deys of Our Lives (127968) 10.10-11.00 Another World (4330941) SKY TRAVEL 11.00am Globehotter (6485044) 11.30 Traiside (6486773) 12.00 Mansions (7912179) 12.30pm Floyd on Oz (3168044) 1.00 Getaway (4462222) 1.30 Around the World in 30 Minutes (3167315) 2.00 Discover America (9139155) 3.00 Globe-

trotler (4089228) 3.30 Around the World in 30 Minutes (7726112) 3.55-4.00 Holiday Shop (99075266) THE HISTORY CHANNEL 4.00pm History of the RAF (6409624) 5.00



THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

7.00pm The Fantastic Journey (1286402) 8.30 Ft.M: The Stranger Within (2710976) 10.00 Close 1.00am The Sir Million Dollar Man (9913803) 2.00 Ft.M: When Worlds Collide (2945342) 3.30-4.00 Inside Space

9.00em Smpty Painting (1468179) 9.30 Grow with Joe (7483402) 10.00 Dogs with Dunbar (5370315) 10.30 This Old House with Slave and Norm (1457063) 11.00 Homemaker (6929044) 11.30 Craftwise (6920773) 12.00 Julie Old (1448315) 12.30pm The Frugal Gournet (7494518) 1.00 Yan Can Cook (7228711) 1.30 Furniture to Go (7493889) 2.00 Cur House (655570) 2.30 The Garden Show (1692957) 3.00 this is Vet's Life (1674605) 3.30-4.00 This Old House (1697402)

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8.30 Galacy High School (21779) 7.30 Mr
Men (4682247) 7.08 Toerage Mutant Hero
Turties (3918957) 7.45 Rugrats (542505)
8.00 Doug (410957) 8.15 Asshrill Real
Monsters (412806) 8.30 Rocko's Modern
Life (51841) 9.00 Biver Mica Irom Mers
(75421) 9.30 The Liftlest Pet Shop (89112)
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Rush takes on challenge of reviving Leeds

ability." he said. Even at

home, Leeds faced stiff opposi-

tion from Sunderland, Shef-

field United and Blackburn

Rovers, but, his hunger for

success undiminished, Rush

had no doubts about his

decision, not even Leeds's

struggles last season dissuad-

ing him from the view that

they represent the most likely

source of further silverware to

add to his 14 medals in 16

"I'm not used to being

second-best; I'm used to win-

ning and I believe Leeds can

go on and win things," Rush

said. "They have some great

players and I am excited about

coming to Leeds — and How-

ard is the best manager tacti-cally, which wasn't something

we bothered about too much at

Liverpool, so hopefully I will

There is little doubt that, in

turn, Wilkinson hopes Rush's

Liverpool professionalism and, perhaps, confidence will

rub off on his new team-

mates. Rush yesterday was

talking about challenges for the championship, a topic hardly mentioned at Leeds

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Liverpool in the sunshine on

learn from him.

since last August.

IAN RUSH'S supremely successful 16 years with Liverpool ended formally yesterday. The Wales international forward signed for Leeds United on a two-year contract, worth an estimated £1 million.

"Once I realised I wasn't in the frame at Liverpool, I looked at the clubs interested in me and Leeds appealed the most." Rush explained at a press conference at Elland Road. "I wanted to prove I can play in the Premiership with one of the best clubs. Leeds have the potential to go on and win things and that is what I want to do.'

For their part, Leeds were equally pleased with their first signing of what is likely to be a busy summer at Elland Road, with the club up for sale and more transfer moves in the offing. "I said at the end of the season that the club needed a fresh impetus, that things needed changing, and I can't think of a better way of starting off that impetus than this," Howard Wilkinson, the Leeds manager, said. "I am certain he will be as influential a signing as I have made in my time here. Hopefully, people will see that we mean

Thus the Leeds revival is to be built upon a 34-year-old free transfer signing - but that is not the whole story. Wilkinson's transfer record is mixed, but the signing of another veteran from a great Lancashire club - Gordon Strachan, from Manchester United - was the catalyst for Leeds's rise to the top at the beginning of the decade. Rush has a lot to live up to.

Tribal warfare .

Few will question his capability or his continuing desire to do so. The queue of clubs eager to persuade Rush, who scored 346 goals in 660 games for Liverpool, to join them covered four continents. Rush could have doubled his money if he had moved to Japan, but, after his unhappy year at Juventus, it was always likely that he would decide to stay in England. "I want to enjoy my football. If I'm not enjoying it I

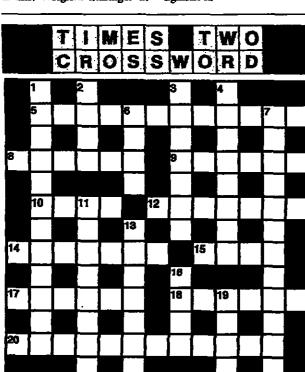
England lose Wright through knee injury

TERRY VENABLES, the England manager, lost another defender from his calculations yesterday (Peter Ball writes). A scan revealed that Mark Wright had sustained ligament damage in the knee injury he suffered against Hungary at Wembley on Saturday, and he has been ruled out of the European championship.

At present there are no plans for an operation, but Wright has been told that he needs at least four weeks' rest. "Obviously it is a big blow for Mark and for England," Roy Evans. Wright's manager at Liverpool, said last night, "but there is no way that he will be

able to take any part." The injury had already ruled Wright out of the tour of the Far East but, until the scan, it had been hoped that ultrasound treatment might be enough to enable him to play next month. lt leaves Venables de

ately short of central defenders. Steve Howey, Newcastle United, had already been added to the party in Wright's place but, like Pallister and Adams, his fitness also has a question



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Min Patel, the Kent spinner, lures Essex to their doom at Valentine's Park, Ilford, yesterday. Photograph: Hugh Routledge. Report, page 44

Reeve tosses away spirit of the game

By PAT GIBSON

hunger," Wilkinson said. "He EDGBASTON (final day of could have sat his time out at four): Hampshire (22pts) bt Warwickshire (4) by 122 runs the bench, but he still feels he

has something to prove. He DERMOT REEVE has gone still has the appetite. There is no doubt he has the ability. to all sorts of lengths to lead "He has done it all, seen it Warwickshire to six trophies all and yet managed to remain in his first three years as captain, but there has been a footballer. He sees his job as helping teams to win football nothing quite as outrageous as matches, he's kept his feet on the ground. He will be a the spoiling tactic he adopted to try to stave off defeat by terrific influence around the club, a good role model for the Hampshire yesterday. It is a pleasure to report that it failed kids, but above all he will be a and the champions were beattremendous asset to the team, en for only the fourth time in he will help the team to win

things. I can't wait for the season to start." Any regrets Rush had about leaving Liverpool were also subsumed in his eagerness for the new challenge. "I was sad when I played my last game for Liverpool, but it's a new challenge now and my main feeling is one of excitement," he said. "I can't wait to score my first goal for Leeds and I bringing the game into will probably be more excited

Innovation, invention. imagination, the things that make Reeve the remarkable cricketer he is, are all very well. The bizarre strategy he deployed to counter the leftarm spin of Rajesh Maru. Hampshire's acting captain, bowling over the wicket into the rough outside his leg stump, was tantamount to

The obvious danger was from balls turning and lifting

out of the rough to dip the pad and glove, resulting in catches to the close fielders. Reeve, knowing that a batsman cannot be out caught off the glove if he is not holding the bat. countered that by thrusting his left pad at the ball and, just before it arrived, throwing his bat in the direction of silly point where it landed within

feet of White. Reeve did it 15 times when he was facing Maru during his 28 overs at the crease before, by a supreme irony, he was out to the first ball after tea — caught behind off James, bowling his left-arm swing over the wicket into the

It was the perfect comeuppance although Reeve remained unrepentant. "I saw John Emburey do the same thing many years ago against Norman Gifford," he said. "He almost got caught off the glove and the next ball he just dropped the bat. I've done it before against Ravi Shastri.

"I have seen too many batsmen caught from balls deflecting off the pad on to the

glove and I was seeing the ball well enough to know when to drop the bat. Malcolm Marshall line Hampshire coach told me he thought it was a

very sensible tactic." Marshall was probably speaking with tongue firmly in cheek and Maru, who had never experienced anything like it in his 16 years of county

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cricket, was not sanguine. "I don't think it is fair," he said. "Because it can be very offputting to the fielder close in on the off side. The law says that he must stand still while the ball is being bowled but he finds himself backing away because he is frightened of

being hit by the bat." It may have been within the laws, but surely not within the spirit of the game. However, since Law 42 states that captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within that spirit there was nothing anyone could do about the antics of the Warwickshire captain. Perhaps Lord's should look into

the matter. Apart from anything else, Reeve's performance overshadowed what was a magnificent and quite unexpected victory by a Hampshire side which went into the match without Stephenson, the cap-tain, and Udal, the off spinner. They then lost Smith, Stephenson's deputy, and finished up without Benjamin, the overseas player.

It was Benjamin who made the early inroads into the Warwickshire batting when they began yesterday needing a further 350 to win with all their wickets in hand. He bowled Khan and had Ostler caught behind in a vibrant opening spell and it seemed ominous for Hampshire when he went off with a damaged shoulder after lunch.

By then Knight and Penney were putting together a third-wicket partnership of 73 which was turning Warwickshire's thoughts towards an improbable victory. Then Milburn bowled Knight and, after Pol-lock had top-edging a catch to fine leg off Maru, Reeve made his intentions perfectly

obvious. Fortunately he did not pre-vail. Once Penney had been bowled by Connor after batting almost four hours, the seamers did the rest, although only nine balls remained when Connor had Brown caught behind.

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Deal gives Lewis the upper hand

BY SRIKUMAR SEN BOXING CORRESPONDENT

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for Liverpool."

AFTER being sidelined for two years by boxing politics, Lennox Lewis suddenly finds the political ball at his feet. As a result of one of the most bizarre deals ever thrashed out in boxing by the lawyers of Lewis and Mike Tyson in New York last week, it is now the turn of Tyson and Don King, his promoter, to wait on Lewis. Lewis has to decide whether to box for

the World Boxing Council (WBC) heavyweight title or meet Riddick Bowe. his arch rival. first. If Lewis goes for the title, Tyson has said he will give it up rather Tyson still has a healthy respect for

Lewis even though serious flaws in the Briton's defence were exposed by Ray Mercer in New York recently. Tyson does not want to defend against Lewis for another four months at least.

Lewis's financial backer. Panos Eliades, said yesterday: "The only reason this deal was done by Tyson is because he is alraid of fighting Lennox next and that's why he's paid more step-aside money [\$6 million, to enable Tyson to fight Bruce Seldon] than is known in the history of boxing.

Lewis said that his most likely course would be to meet Bowe first in September in Las Vegas, then challenge for the title some time in December or early next year. If, after seeing Lewis against Bowe,

Tyson still wants to give up the title, Lewis's opponent will be Oliver McCall. Rock Newman, Bowe's manager, is expected in London this week for discussions. If Newman signs, Lewis will meet Bowe first. "Casinos in Las Vegas are prepared to pay colossal sums for this fight," Eliades said. Lewis and Bowe can expect to share \$40-50 million (£25-£33 million) equally. "I would favour Bowe first." Lewis said, "but I have to find out if

Bowe wants to fight me. "It's about time the Bowe-Lewis got underway. It's been stagnating for such a long time. The public always wanted to see that fight." As purse bids for the WBC title must be in by July 15, Lewis has to make his decision by July 6.

Montgomerie gets back on course

John Hopkins sees the Scot return to

triumph at the scene of Sunday's disaster

SOMETIMES, shock treatment is the best treatment and so, perhaps, it was necessary for Colin Montgomerie to have to retrace his steps to The Oxfordshire golf club yesterday and play a round over the course on which he had collapsed so humiliating-

ly on Sunday afternoon. In his nine years as a professional, Montgomerie had not had many scores as high as 84. It was no consolation for him that Ian Woosnam had an 82, Bernhard Langer a 79 and Nick Faldo an 80. For Montgomerie, the world No 3, to balloon to a round of 12 over par, and in doing so throw away the three-stroke lead that he had held after the third round, was astonishing. Montgomerie's dismal

Sunday afternoon was compounded when he was

penalised two strokes under

rule 13-4 for "testing the condition of a hazard" by

kicking sand in a bunker on

the 13th. "Oh, great, that's all I

needed." Montgomerie said.

"Is there any more you could

add on?" The Scot was frus-

trated at finding that his ball was plugged, even though it had bounced before it entered the bunker. Afterwards, as soon as he could make his exit, Montgomerie dashed to his car, roared out of the club and then raced at high speed to his

home in Surrey. He was alone on the drive, Eimear, his wife, having left when he was on the 17th, otherwise there might have been some choice language exchanged as he navigated the M40, M25 and A30 en route to Oxshott. "I could have done without having to come back here today," Montgomerie said yesterday. "I did not sleep much last night thinking

about what went wrong. Then

I parked my car in the same

place this morning and went

out on to the course where I'd

had an 84. I found myself

compensating. When I had

hit left yesterday. I hit right

It would have been worse for Montgomerie if he had lost again. He might have had difficulty facing himself in the mirror for a while. Club golfers, furthermore, would have accused him of being molly-coddled and of not being capable of coping with the sort of conditions that they face regularly. For several

Montgomerie: recovered

hours on the day when the first four matches of the Andersen Consulting world championship matches were played, it looked as though Montgomerie was going to be beaten by Costantino Rocca and be given a second consec-

utive day to forget. Help, however, was at hand. "If you can't get motivated at the thought of winning \$1 million [£671,000 - the first prize| then there's a problem." Montgomerie said. And he had his pride to consider, too. Thus it was that, though two down to the Italian after the 7th, Montgomerie had levelled by the 10th. He went one up by birdying the 17th, two strokes better than on Sunday, and halved the

"It was important for me to win today." Montgomerie said after qualifying to meet Langer in the this morning's regional semi-finals of a comnetition that ends in Arizona early next year. It had helped erase the memories of Sunday from his mind. The shock treatment had

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OVERSEAS NEWS

Liberal bargains with Yeltsin for leadership role

A YOUNG, charismatic and popular Russian politician has manoeuvred himself into the role of kingmaker in the country's presidential elections next month.

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With President Yeltsin and Gennadi Zyuganov, his main Communist rival. running neck-and-neck in the polls. Grigori Yavlinsky, the candidate for the liberal Yabloko party is being courted for his small but loyal following which could tip the scales on

Mr Yavlinsky, 44, an economist, may not stand a hope of winning the election, but if his negotiations with Mr Yeltsin are successful he could land the post of Prime Minister and designate himself as Russia's

Mr Yavlinsky opened the bidding with a letter to Mr Yeltsin last week, setting out his terms for supporting the President's re-election bid. He demanded that Mr Yeltsin dismisses, by next Saturday, Viktor Chernomyrdin, the Prime Minister, General Pavel Grachev, the Defence Minister, Oleg Soskovets, the Deputy Prime Minister, and Nikolai Yegorov, his Chief of

He also sought changes to the Government's economic programme, such as a higher minimum wage and lower taxes, and new talks to end the

conflict in Chechenia. Pres, 'ent Yeltsin wasted no

time in responding positively to the offer. In an interview on Siberian television on Sunday. he said he was considering replacing "the greater part of the government team" with "fresher people" and "new ideas". He said: "I agree that maybe it is worth slightly reinforcing our programme with parts of other candidates' platforms, and this is quite possible. Why, for example, not take all the interesting ideas which Yavlinsky proposed? ... Why not take those of other candidates?"

The Kremlin leader's conciliatory tone towards his rivals has more to do with opinionpoll figures than his sudden conversion to their policies. The most recent figures give Mr Yeltsin a narrow lead over Mr Zyuganov; they each have about a quarter of the electorate's support.

Mr Yeltsin is clearly eyeing Mr Yavlinsky's nearly 10 per cent following. He has also had talks with two other presidential candidates General Aleksandr Lebed, a former paratrooper with cbout 5 per cent support, and Svyatoslav Fyodorov, an eye surgeon with about 3 per cent. If the three candidates and their supporters could be co-opted into a presidential cualition against the Communists, Mr Yeltsin could count on a comfortable victory.

For Mr Yavlinsky, who is inexperienced in government. an alliance with Mr Yeltsin might be distasteful but highly rewarding. If he clinched the job of Prime Minister he would, in effect, become Russia's President-in-waiting.

The pre-election tactics have

clearly unsettled the other

participants. Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet leader, struggling to get his campaign off the ground, warned Mr Yavlinsky that the offer was a "trap". The Communists tried to put a brave face on the prospect of others uniting against them. Mr Zyugan-ov said Mr Yavlinsky's political career would end if he teamed up with Mr Yeltsin. ☐ Vladivostok: A bomb was found and defused in a campaign centre for President Yeltsin after a telephone caller gave a warning that the building was about to be blown up, interfax news agency said yesterday. Police and army troops sealed off the building in Ussuriysk, a city in Russia's Far East region. The remotecontrol explosive device was



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Düsseldorf public transport workers, one with a mobile phone, on picket duty at the German city's tram depot yesterday. Throughout the Ruhr. Germany's industrial heartland, 100,000 striking

Warning strike hits Ruhr

workers stopped trains and buses, and refused to clear dustbins or to deliver letters (Roger Boyes writes). The

warning strike by public sector unions in North Rhine Westphalia lasted only a few hours but disrupt-

ed work in thousands of offices and factories and hinted at what might happen if the trade union leadership carries out its threat to call a general strike in pursuit of a 4.5 per cent pay rise.

SENSIN BREF Eta blamed for death of soldier

A Spanish army sergeant, Miguel Angel Ayllón Diaz-González was killed in Córdoba by a bomb blamed on the Basque terrorist group Eta (Tunku Varadarajan writes). The blast, in Carlos III Avenue, was the first violence by Eta since José Maria Aznar's Government took power. Another soldier and two civilians were hurt. Police believe a military bus had been the intended target.

Hutu jail raid

Kigali: Suspected Hutu rebels attacked a village in Karengera village, southwestern Rwanda, and freed more than 50 inmates who were among 71,000 Hutu genocide suspects in the country's jails. (Reuter)

Crocodile dare

Kuala Lumpur: Khalil Yaakob, chief minister of Malaysia's central state of Pahano swam in Paya Bungor Lake to kill a rumour that it was infested with crocodiles and

Taking a break

Sao Paulo: Forty-seven Brazilian prisoners, over half the inmates in a Sao Paulo police precinct, tunnelled to freedom while their warders were watching television. Twelve were recaptured. (Reuter)

Motorway fumes

Cologne: Twenty-three people were taken to hospital with breathing problems after chlorine gas leaked from an overturned lorry on a German motorway near here. Others were treated at the scene. (Reuter)

Power struggle

Colombo: Sri Lanka's electricity authority has launched a non-stop prayer campaign for rain at its main hydroelectricity generating station. The country faces a total blackout by next week. (AFP)

Mood music

Montreux: A troupe of 15 desert nomad musicians and dancers from Niger who are to Festival in July will be paid one cow each, a festival

Auctioneers eye estate of Grace



to help young artists

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK auctioneers, still astonished by the \$34.5 million (£22.5 million) success of last month's Jackie Onassis sale, were in a buzz yesterday at the possibility that the Grimaldis of Monaco may sell possessions of the late Princess Grace.

The Princess's son, Albert, is visiting Manhattan and was reported to be sympathetic towards the idea of a sale, for charity, of items owned by

A Monaco diplomatic official declined to comment on a suggestion that he would

Sotheby's, which held the Onassis sale. A source indicated that 5,000 items had been identified as being suitable for sale. London could vie with New York as an auction location.

meet representatives from

Grace Kelly, as the actress was known before marrying into the Royal Family of Monte Carlo, remains a big star in the United States. Her cachet as an American who wed European royalty, combined with her beauty and est in any auction. She died in

Sotheby's was silent yester-

day and Christie's could not auction houses, including say if any meeting had been organised with Prince Albert. Proceeds from a sale could help the Princess Grace Foundation, a charity established in her memory to help young artists. Keefhaver, vice-Joseph

president of the American National Auctioneers' Association, said yesterday: "A Prin-cess Grace sale would have enormous appeal. We have had several inquiries precipitated by the Onassis sale. The public aspect and competitive prime advantage with celebrisales. It brings about buying in a charged atmosphere."

Ministers rebuff Croatia bid to join Council of Europe

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

EUROPEAN governments have issued an unprecedented rebuff to President Tudjman by refusing to endorse a call for Croatia to be admitted to the 39-nation Council of

Next week, a full meeting of the council's parliamentary assembly in Greece will debate a call last week by European Union foreign mindelayed until President Tudiman had given stronger guarantees on 1 uman rights, press

freedom and democracy. Normally, a recommendation by the council's assembly is endorsed by member governments. But Western governments have been angered by Dr Tudiman's refusal to implement in full the Dayton accords, his crackdown on the opposition press and his attempt to annul the election of the Mayor of Zagreb and ap-

ki, the assembly will debate the ministers' call for a delay.

A working group is expected to draw up a list of minimum conditions for entry, including greater press freedom and a promise to co-operate with the United Nations War Crimes Tribunal for Yugoslavia, as well as a timetable for their implementation.

The Tudjman Government had promised a range of democratic reforms to gain European yardstick of democ-



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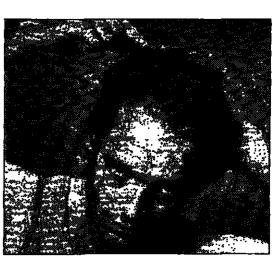
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Rage that can drive someone to kill-

half of us admit to losing our temper at the wheel, reports Grace Bradberry

NINE out of ten motorists claim to have been the victims of road rage. Yet according to a survey by the Automobile Association only six out of ten admit to losing their own temper at the wheel.

This week, as detectives hunt for the driver of a Land Rover Discovery who is believed to have killed 21-year-old Stephen Lee Cameron just off the M25, drivers across Britain will be pondering the cost of such confrontations.

Until the summer of 1992, we did not even have a name for the honking, headlight flashing and tail-dogging that has become a feature of our highways. Now the term, borrowed from America, is known to everyone.
According to research carried out

in Britain, the perpetrators of violence or aggression nearly always believe themselves to be the righteous victims of someone else's anti-social behaviour.

Tailgating, where motorists hug

the bumper of the car in front, was experienced by 62 per cent of people in the AA survey. But only 6 per cent admitted to having done it

If we are honest, most of us will admit to having flashed our headlights in anger. Fewer of us will have made obscene gestures, delib-erately obstructed another vehicle or proferred verbal abuse.

The actual incidence of road rage is hard to assess. The 1996 Lex Report on Motoring said that there were 1.8 million instances of people being forced off the road in 1995, and 500,000 cases where cars had been deliberately rammed by other cars. There were an estimated 800,000 cases of people being physically threatened, and 250,000 of actual attack by other drivers. But there are no official figures

for road rage - they are buried in



When a driver snaps: most road users say they have suffered from this sort of behaviour, but few will admit to being guilty of losing their own temper

more general statistics and the Home Office and the Department of Transport are still considering whether to collate them specifically. In the meantime, the various psychological studies carried out rely on anecdotal evidence.

The most serious cases make headlines. Last year, Paul Gaynor, 26, was jailed for three months for head-butting a driver in East Finchley. London. Stuart Higginson, of South Wales, was jailed for brandishing a toy gun at another driver. Sean Baldwin, 18, pleaded guilty to punching and kicking a farmer who was taking his cows home for milking.

Researchers at Manchester and

Strathclyde universities believe that more minor forms of rage are on the increase. "Society has become more competitive, and that is reflected on the roads," says Professor Shirley Fisher, a psychologist at Strathclyde's Centre for Occupational and Health Psychology.

The professor has spent many hours questioning drivers at roadside cafes and sees high speeds as a major factor. "If you're driving at nearly 90, then you're already showing all the symptoms of severe stress. If someone then sticks up two fingers, you can be triggered into an amazing state of arousal."

It is not just a question of faster, better cars, she says, but of huge pressures to reach meetings on time. "Other drivers don't know your motives and they react in a very hostile way."

In the past, a minority of people might have behaved aggressively. but we have all now developed that potential. "There's a feeling that we can all be powerful now, and one place that we're competing for that power is on the road," says Professor Fisher.

There is no firm evidence to prove that either men or women are more culpable. However, research carried out by Manchester University's Driver Behaviour Research

Group found that young men were more likely to commit violations such as shooting red lights or speeding. But women over the age of 35 were also prime culprits.

It is not simply a question of flouting the Highway Code. "Driv-ing is stressful, and it's probably becoming more stressful as we grind towards gridlock," says Dr Steve Stradling, one of the Manchester team. "From time to time, everyone feels threatened and

becomes angry."

Dr Stradling has identified two personality types most likely to act out their anger. The first group contains those with a personality disorder — psychopaths.

The second group is the narcissists. These are the people who know the right way to drive and are incensed when others appear ignorant. Asked why they overtook on the inside, then slowed down to 20 miles an hour to block the road. they will insist that they were

giving their victim a useful lesson. That sort of thing has a nasty habit of escalating. Colin Johnson, 32, a telephone engineer, recalls the time that his own relaliatory driving nearly led to something much

I was on the M3 when a highperformance Mazda came right up onto my bumper and began flash-ing his lights. Normally I would

congested and I didn't see why I should let him past only to do the same thing 50 yards on. So I braked a bit, hoping to put him off. He came closer. Then I braked really hard. Then I decided to give up and pulled into the middle lane. He pulled in in front of me, and slowed down. I pulled into the slow lane. Again he pulled in front of me, and this time he slowed down to 15 miles an hour.

"It was dreadful. The whole road became congested as lorries tried to overtake us. I became really frightened and wondered what would happen next. I've never tried anything like it since."

roblems are not confined to the drivers of highperformance sports cars -Volvo and BMW owners can be among the worst drivers on

The more expensive and smarter the car, the more aggressive the driver," confirms Edmund King, of the RAC. "That's particularly true of females - the woman in the BMW is much more likely to get aggressive than the one in the Ford Fiesta. There is an element of: I'm here in my £25,000 car - who on earth do you think you are cutting

me up?".
"Cars with bull bars, like the Land Rover Discovery, also tend to lead to more aggressive driving. There is a story about a man who said he was so tired of being cut up by taxi drivers in London that once a month he would hire a Land Rover to drive around getting his

More and more of us are being sucked into this vigilante culture. The most commonly given reason for having lost your temper is someone else's driving," says Con-rad King, a psychologist and consultant to the RAC.

He believes there should be rehabilitation courses for offenders, although the Home Office remains unconvinced of the need. Mr King says: "It often takes a lot of time and effort to make people realise that the reason for their actions is their own underlying stress and

Stephen Lee Cameron may have been the tragic victim of a driver momentarily convinced that right

Joseph Connolly visits the Swiss clinic famous for its rejuvenating jabs

o," I was asked on the plane, just before we touched down at Geneva, "are you really going to have the injections?" Injections? Me? No fear. Why then was I going to Montreux's celebrated Clinique La Prairie? This is its speciality - its international renown over the past 65 years rests upon its programme of injected rejuvenation. Some hopefuls swear that here, within a grail, slops around the mythical elixir of life, youth, beauty and loads of other stuff generally agreed to be a

mighty good thing. Now I am as much in need of rejuvenation as the next man, but at 45 I am apparently too young (yippee) — 50, 60 or 70 is, I was told by the resident senior physician, Dr Walli, much nearer the mark.

Dr Walli scoffs at talk of an elixir of youth. The CLP Extract, as it is called, is taken (although you may not care to know this) from the foetus of an unborn lamb - largely the

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liver, with touches of kidney and spleen, to taste. Treatment consists of four injections once

He is a nice chap, Dr Walli; humorous and easygoing, and well aware that the process can be looked at askance as well as ridiculed. But he is absolutely committed to his belief in the good it can do.

"The purpose is to let people enjoy every single day of their lives just as if they were young — it is more an internal thing than a beauty treatment, although skin tone, dexterity and hair condition are very often improved."
The doctor is as coy as all

expensive establishments are about who actually uses their services; he admits to Marlene

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La Prairie claims Churchill and Thatcher as clients

Dietrich, Sir Winston Churchill, Charles de Gaulle and François Mitterrand (all of whom are safely dead). Beyoud this a silence falls, but your intrepid reporter has been sniffing around and can now name some names: my unimpeachable source tells me that top of the list is none other than our very own Baroness Thatcher (a very satisfied customer, by all accounts - and let's face it, a pretty good advertisement), followed by Dr Christiaan Barnard, David Bowie and

Sadly there are no beforeand-after pictures. The doc alludes to general wellbeing not as it turns out another illustrious client, but the almost universal outcome of the

So here I am, a guest of the place too young to be made

younger, so what do I do? Well, there is sleep: my ele-

gant, balconied room is in the older chalet-style building (as opposed to the very sleek and glossy state-of-the-art new one, where all the serious stuff goes on). It is an odd room - pretty luxurious (orchids, electronic bed, remote-control lights) and a bit institutional (lino floor). "Call for a nurse if you need one in the night." I said I would bear it in mind. see it rise to nearer £8,000

The food is divine, beautifully presented, every mouthful quite sublime - but I really ought to have some treatment, right? One suggested easy option was a gentie 20-minute stroll along the edge of Lake Geneva (very beautiful) to a perfect medieval castle, Château Chillon. it sounded good. Twenty minutes? It takes over two hours, and all you are fit for on arrival is to die in a dungeon. What you need, then, they said, is exercise without the exercise - which is how i came to be strapped to an ironing board with all sorts of sensitive bits of me wired up to bleeping machinery called

A pretty nurse ties you up (she speaks little English, but terror is the same in any language). The room is dim. a hushed orchestra is fiddling away at Vivaldi, and parts of you throb at random. It's a

Then they rewire you to something else that duffs up your stomach. "You don't have to do anything," they keep repeating, but a gang of muggers could get away with that line. And then it is bath This huge and frothy tub is

populated by small piranha childhood fish who refuse to die: they nip, they grasp, they beat you up. You cook, your legs are rubber

you get out feeling black
and blue but all you are is red. Naturally enough, none of this comes cheap: £6,000 a week is minimum, but extras (Mercedes limo from the airport for 50 minutes, £250 hair-brushing, £25) could soon

(£10,000 with injections). As I was leaving, a semiancient American guy called me over. "Hey — how many injections did you have to get hair like that?" "Just the one," I replied. "Mind you," I tacked on, spreading my arms like a mendacious angler, "it was one hell of a syringe."

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Fungus infection

PATIENTS do not like to be told that they have a fungal infection. The term conjures up a vision of decay and damp, of mouldy cheese and evil-smelling lungi

on rotting trees. If people think of fungi at all in relation to medicine, it is probably only because they remember that Joe Grundy, of The Archers, suffers from farmer's lung, a chronic fun-

gal condition. Fungal infections are, in fact, very common and in particular attack the skin and mucous membranes. Fungi grow as easily on sweaty skin as mould grows on damp leather luggage. Tinea pedis. the foot rot often caught in the school gym or swimming pool, and Tinea cruris, the similar condition in the groin, are a memory of most people's

When a fungus attacks skin between the toes, it is comparatively easy to treat with an over-the-counter remedy, al-though reinfection is likely. Once the fungus has crept beneath the nails it becomes a more difficult problem and a long course of an anti-fungal paint such as Trosyl, or an anti-fungal preparation taken in pill form will be needed.

A fungus often gains entry to the nail bed when the nail suffers repetitive minor injury each time the foot knocks against the toe of the trainer while jogging, playing squash or tennis, or taking part in any other vigorous activity.

Even when the nail is distorted, thickened and raised, the condition described as onchomycosis, it has a 70 per cent chance of can be a problem for us all

Itching for a cure

returning to normal after treatment with a course of Lamisil (terbinafine) tablets, or Sporanox (itraconazole) capsules

The fungus Candida albicans causes the common disease, thrush. There is increasing evidence that



DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD

women prefer to take an oral preparation rather than use saries and cream to treat vaginal thrush; both Sporanox and a related compound, Diflucan (fluconazole), are useful preparations and have become the drugs of choice.

Recently the medical journal Pulse has drawn attention to their interaction with some modern antihistamines. Care also needs to be taken when prescribing these prepara-tions for people who are known to have liver disease. or who are heavy drinkers. Fungi which cause ring-

worm in pets are also a cause of the itch which can afflict pet owners. Ringworm appears

ringlike appearance with the central part of the affected area being clear. The journal Dermatology

ported on the much higher incidence of ringworm to be found in the owners of cats rather than of dogs, although apparently experience shows that the family doctor nearly always blames the dog.

A minor attack of ringworm can be controlled by applying such creams as Daktarin or Imidazole, but if it becomes at all widespread an oral preparation such as griseofulvin wili be needed.

A common fungus often affecting travellers to exotic holiday spots is Tinea versi-color, which can ruin an expensive tan by causing multiple white speckles to spread over what had previously been perfectly browned flesh.
A bath using a fungicidal

hair shampoo such as Nizoral may be enough to kill the fungus, but if not a five-day course of Sporanox capsules will eradicate it. Unfortunate; ly the white patches will take. months to regain normal skin



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King of trash stops playing the clown

describes his new and very serious film as 'a lectle fable". but that scarcely does it justice. imagine instead a cross between The Sound of Music and a feature-length version of Delia Smith.

We are in a small kitchen looking out on a sweep of French Alps, and the hills are alive with the smell of onions. Evening is approaching, and the star, cast in the oxymoronic role of French New Man, is preparing supper.

"Cut," says the director for the hundredth time, and Antoine, who has now dissected the greater part of the Spanish onion crop, pauses at his chopping board while an assistant sweeps the discarded chunks into a rubbish bag.

De Caunes is normally responsible for a different and, his critics might think, equally disposable — form of Eurotrash. The TV series which made him a star in Britain is not big on haute cuisine, although it did redefine Belgium as the place whose inhabitants eat rat stroganoff. It also labelled Italy the host country of the Miss Transsexual Beau-

Contest. Germany the home of the Tantric sex school and pigeonholed de Caunes's co-host, Jean Paul Gaultier, as Europe's top purveyor of sex and vulgar-

Or. as de Caunes puts it: "It is just fun — like kids playing together." Nursery school re-

sumes in the autumn. Meantime devotees can catch him on Channel 4, where he is presenting a language programme called Channel Hopping, in which he explores the culture — or lack of it — of French broadcasting.

Predictable enough, but an odd thing has happened to de Caunes. A few months ago, at the height of his success, he walked away from the French TV show he had presented

daily for the last seven years. He had scandalised and amused a country enthralled by exploits such as interviewing Jack Lang, the former French cultural minister, in the nude. (Actually, I was wearing a leetle placard to cover the vital parts, but I felt a bit vulnerable, and he was very furious.") By then de Caunes was growing bored with redefining the boundaries of good taste.

"It's finished. It's over, and it was such a big relief. I wanted to be an actor. I wanted to write. I didn't want to become an old and pathetic clown." He says he is 42. I make him 43, but what is a missing year

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Television host Antoine de Caunes is leaving his wild years behind to cater for more sophisticated tastes, he tells Mary Riddell

mainly, and unsuccessfully, to

wean him away from his

would be influenced by their

artificial society. They had this

as much on TV as in real life.

Weird people. Actually, I love

them, but it was not a regular

He grew up to

and the Jesuits in

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until his late twen-

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Janet Street-Porter

discovered him (an

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and

show, Rapido, to British TV,

the combined fame of Charles

de Gaulle, Napoleon and

Tintin looked puny in compar-

ison with that of Antoine de

Caunes. Eurotrash followed

and, with it, his relentless

Spanish restaurant complete

with phallic accoutrements.

Mild stuff, he says, compared

with what he was doing in

France. And, at the end of each

TV series, he would retreat to

his house in the Normandy

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"They were so afraid I

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for one so charmingly youth-ful? "I must add five years to his face to make him look his real age," says the make-up girl. Even allowing for twoday stubble and painted-on wrinkles, he is an attractive man. His appearance, coupled with his Clouseau-esque accent, are the qualities which

have so enraptured his fans. "A stereotype, of course. But if the Brits think of Frenchmen as self-conscious, arrogant, believing they are the best lovers in the world, then there is also some truth in that." Really. Are they?

"I can't tell," he says coyly. "I don't know what the others are like." History suggests that closer acquaintance actually renders Antoine far from irresistible. His marriage and a subsequent long-term relationship both collapsed, and, although he remains on good terms with both women - the

draw a

frontier

between

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mothers of his daughter. Emma, 20, and son Louis, nine - he 'I couldn't admits that he was impossible to live "I never was able

to draw a frontier between my work and what's outside. I tried to understand why, but that was the only reason i could find. When I work on something, I need totally, and for someone who

"They both left me, but it was not a case of war or betrayal. I have been alone for nine months, and I have no interest in looking for women. I do not behave like a peeg, but it is just too difficult for a girl

lives with you, that looks like

to live with me." Piggish or not, it is hard to imagine anyone seriously considering this invitation.

Antoine the matinée idol (although clearly an improvement on the Eurotrash version) is a weary-looking workaholic who has been filming through the night and must soon disappear to rehearse how to chop an onion. Alain Delon does not instantly spring to mind. Nor does any instant clue to his cult status. The truth, normally heavily-

disguised, is that he is a more engaging and thoughtful man than his material suggests. The son of two successful French television journalists, he was brought up in the Paris suburbs and dispatched to a Jesuit boarding school, partly to curb his rebelliousness and

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ships broke up it was the same kind of mourning -- that miserable feeling that you will never do anything like that

It took until this year for him to realise that, with the exception of Eurotrash, he did not wish to carry on with a career which had made him both rich and idolised. "I wanted a feeling of danger. was just drifting along, and if you do that you're dead. I was very scared when I gave up, but I knew that I wanted to write movies and act in them. Still, when I left TV, I felt as if I had abandoned my family. It

was very depressing."
By then he had 'When I already completed left TV, two film parts. The current I felt as Jacques Fansten's C'est pour la Bonne Cause, exif I had plores the integration of Rwandan abandoned holiday to France. my family' A responsible so-

cial drama in which all the participants remain fully-clad, it will keep de Caunes in the Alpine town of Annecy for the next month. After that he will finish a

screenplay for French TV before, he hopes, making a British film with Steve Coogan and Jennifer Saunders. His pace, as always, will be a round of 20-hour days with little spare time. His daughter is just starting

out as an actress - a spur, you would think, for him to abandon the Boy Scout uniforms and the Prince Charles ears so indispensable to his Eurotrash routines, but they will not be disposed of quite yet, "I do not think: those were

town of Trouville, unplug the telephone and read. Voltaire, my wild years, and they're over. I will not necessarily say de Maupassant, Robert Louis Stevenson. Wilkie Collins. No if I get into another project "Ah, do you like Wheelkey? I which is crazy and nertz." But have just re-read all his novels. nuts, for the moment, play no part in a career now dedicated "But I hated those times that feeling that something to far more sophisticated was over. When my relation-



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Cult figure: Antoine the matinée idol is a weary-looking workaholic who has been filming through the night

Giles Coren looks at nepotism and the media

national newspaper generated a letter from a reader. I had arrived. I had joined the arena of public debate. I sat back from my screen to read it. "Your piece on Dudley Moore was rubbish," it read. "You are not funny and nor is your father. Neither of you can write, and you are both bastards. You resent Dudley Moore because your father is a failure, and you only got your job because of him."

This was a poor start. When I wrote stories at school as a small child, the other children would insist that father had written them. When I was older, one of my English teachers would tell people I had only got into university because of my father. Who knows? He may have been right.

But faced with the prospect of a life of self-justification. I have occasionally gone so far as to deny my family. With a father and sister already successfully entrenched in journalism, the idea that the profession would be able to stand another Coren seemed unlikely.

subject of dozens of newspaper articles every year, the latest crop fuelled by a tirade from Channel 4 director of programmes John Willis (son of scriptwriter Lord Ted, I think, rather than fast bowler Bob) and a factually miserable rant from Ros

Nepotism in the media is the

Coward in The Guardian (she could be related to Noel but shows no signs of an inherited sense of humour). Also infiltrating a couple of Radio 4 programmes at the weekend, the integrity police have been trotting out the familiar list of names: The Dimblebys (David and Jonathan, sons of Richard): The Magnussons (Magnus and daughters Sally and Margarett; Gloria Hunniford and her daughter Caron Keating-Barry, Samantha and Emma Norman; Zoe Ball, daughter of Johnny, Max Hastings, son of Macdonald; The Freuds, The Wyatts ... the list has the whiff of witch-hunt about it, like a wall-

poster in a totalitarian state, inviting quislings to denounce others they might have come across.

You might wonder, if you care (for it is a truism that only journalists notice bylines) whether the implicated scions lose any sleep over it. Few of them, in fact, were prepared to talk about it. Some cited a reluctance to enrage their parents, others the faint hope that no one had noticed and they didn't want to draw attention to it, thank you. Others admitted they were so embarrassed, they blushed just thinking about it.

Dimbleby brothers David (left) and Jonathan

Anna Blundy, 25, a feature writer for Elle and Cosmopolitan and a columnist in The Times magazine, is the daughter of David Blundy, a legendary foreign correspondent who was killed while reporting in El Salvador in 1989. She always saw a career in journalism as inevitable.

'My friends all think I get my jobs because people knew my dad," she says. But they are all lawyers — and so are their fathers. The problem with the media is that you do your work in public, soany apparent nepotism is more obvious.

When I was little the only people I knew were journalists, everyone thought my dad was wonderful and it seemed the cool thing to be. The problem now is that I can't live up to my dad's memory. Because he was such a good foreign correspondent, my own witterings look all the more frivolous by

comparison." In this she is not alone. None of us is as good as our parent, and to be a pale imitation is rather boring. It is like being a cutting, nicked off the main plant and stuck in a pot with some hormone powder to see how it gets on. Every now and then, some media friend of your parents will notice you and indulgently say "aren't you doing well?" And, like talking to plants, it doesn't

really help.

Albert Read, 26, son of Piers
Paul and grandson of Herbert, is the Daily Express opinion editor. "I am happy to admit that it has been a bit of a leg-up," he says, but there are lots of reasons why people are given jobs: because they are good-looking, or nice, or funny. Ability to do the job is only a part of it." In the office, as much as in our social lives, we are inclined to surround ourselves with people we like. It may be unfair, but it is inevitable. I have so far avoided commissioning my father - which would raise a few eyebrows — but only because he is too expensive.

This is crucial. We are cheap. If you want a Coren, a Read or a Wyatt. you can have the offspring for a fraction

of what the patriarch would charge. But the media is obsessed with its own chastity, and the impulse to spout venom at fellow professionals who are perceived as less than worthy is so irresistible that truth can fall by the wayside. Ros Coward ranted that Victoria Coren had inherited her father's column in The Times. But he is still there, and she appears with horrid regularity in every daily paper apart from The Times. Mud sticks better when slung in the right direction.

You can't help wondering how Ms Coward got her job. And if it was by the long and arduous paying of dues, did she miss the lessons on fact-checking, as well as the ones on charm?

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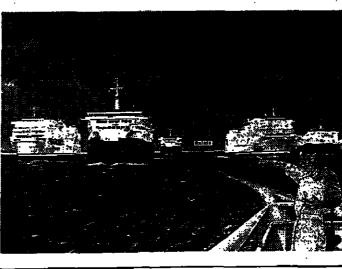
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Europe is not ready for a single

currency, says Wilhelm Nölling

ease about the prospect of giving up currencies in which they place considerable trust. Economic and monetary union is a goal that I support in general, but which I believe will come about naturally one day as a concomitant of greater European integration. It would be the utmost folly to bring it about too soon, when political and economic conditions are not right. Monetary union not only distracts attention from Europe's biggest problem, unemployment, but makes it worse. Its probable positive effects are modest, and they have to be weighed against the disruption caused by a premature and radical transformation of Europe's

monetary order.
The EMU plan faces difficult technical, legal and con-ceptual obstacles. One of the greatest, to which little attention has been paid so far, is the immense cost of converting EU economies to a euro-based system. Projected costs of replacing the various currencies are very high. Europe needs more investment, but this is not the right use of the

One of the principal claims made for the single currency is that it would be as stable as the mark. This is possible, but not at all certain. There is a risk that politicians will try to soften the convergence criteria if. as seems likely, most EU countries, including Germany and France, fail to meet the conditions for budget deficits and public-sector debt. This would undermine the stability of the new currency, as the euro would lose credibility in the eyes of the markets.

The judgment of the German Constitutional Court when the Maastricht treaty was ratified in 1993 makes clear that the convergence criteria must be strictly applied. The decision on EMU membership needs to be taken, at the latest, in spring 1998. If the German Government fails to take a rigorous view of the criteria, those of us who oppose an overhasty union are certain to launch lawsuits in the court that will re-examine the procedure. This would produce additional uncertainty, creating political problems and destabilising foreign exchange markets. This is the opposite of what monetary

union is supposed to achieve. The present economic framework for EMU fails to establish an adequate mechanism for constraining governments' fiscal policies once exchange rates have been irrevocably fixed. There is, however, an intriguing and alarming corollary to this lack of control over budget deficits and inflation: the planned European central bank will have immense power to fix interest rates throughout the eurozone. This imbalance between fiscal and monetary policy is a potentially fatal flaw.

Europe's most pressing challenge is how to combat mass unemployment. Yet EMU would impose a straitjacket and make a bad situation worse. Instead of the flexibility conferred by the capacity to vary exchange rates, the Maastricht rigidities will lead to more unemployment, starting a spiral of wage reductions

The people of Europe are uninformed and ill-at-people to migrate across Europe in search of work. Efforts by EU members to fulfil the fiscal criteria by reducing public spending at a time of reduced growth are likely to be counter-productive.

Even if European govern-ments decide to soften their interpretation of the "conver-gence criteria" to allow EMU to take place, far fewer than the EU's 15 members will be able to join. Those that do not participate will be asked to join a reforged version of the exchange-rate mechanism. This new ERM, however, will be very difficult to operate, not least because the European central bank will not be obliged to intervene to defend the non-EMU currencies at the floor of their fluctuation bands. There will be an extreme contrast between the central bank's immense power to fix interest rates throughout the euro-zone and the powerlessness of non-EMU members to defend their exchange rates. This will lead to a dramatic monetary policy split in Europe, which could prove divisive in political as well as

economic terms.

Monetary union needs to be established as a gradual process that incorporates a form of political union. There are two strong arguments for this. First, political co-ordination of budgetary policies is essential if Europe's economy is not to suffer from an inappropriate fiscal and monetary policy mix. Secondly, Europe needs to establish a fiscal transfer mechanism that will iron out economic differences among states that fix their exchange rates. Because of these arguments, Chancellor Kohl saw the need to establish political union before the Maastricht treaty was agreed. However, there is no majority in European governments for a "lederal" Europe with a state-like character. The present intergovernmental conference is unlikely to lead to political union either. One of Germany's prime EMU conditions

will thus not be fulfilled. onetary union has been put forward as a miracle cure for Europe's ills. It is supposed to bind Germany firmly into Europe, to end the possibility of European war, to eliminate the dominance of the Bundesbank and much more. This proliferation of expectations can lead only to disillusionment when the project fails to deliver the wonders

that its supporters claim. Likewise, absurdly exaggerated suggestions have been put forward of the cost if EMU does not go ahead. It is alleged that the single market would be impaired or even fall apart. This is nonsense. The EU will continue to develop even if we do not have monetary union for several years. Grotesque overstatements of the alleged harm caused by postponing EMU do an immense disservice to European unity. The sooner governments take a decision to delay EMU, perhaps for five to ten years, the better off we shall all be.

Professor Nölling was a member of the Bundesbank council. 1982-92. On Thursday at 5.30pm he will take part in a public debate at the LSE.



THE TEN TORIES EXPEDITION, DARTMOOR

Afraid of adventure

e live on a challenging island. The Army had to agers off Dartmoor at the weekend, when the Ten Tors expedition was hit by blizzards; yet the last time a large number were rescued (in May 1988) it was from heat exhaustion. With such a climate, who could ever be bored? Bad-tempered, certainly, but not bored. Two hundred years ago, William Cobbett observed hailstones in the hayfields and observed that "June in England is a compound of hay and ice". Dwellers on this treacherous rock need to be ready for anything, and a deep instinct tells me that the day we cannot cope with that is the day of our final decadence.

So my heart rejoiced to see the pictures of weary children in sodden anoraks being ushered out of Sea King helicopters after their Dartmoor adventure. Not only was the rescue a sensible decision and a copybook operation; it was also heartening to be reminded that 2,400 schoolchildren between 14 and 19 were out there in the first place. They were attempting a bleak moorland and hill walk of up to 55 miles, in self-sufficient groups of six. Some did finish despite the weather, and others reached safety on foot. The Army has decided that they all deserve medals just for being out there in the first place, and quite right too. There should be medals also for the

schools, parents, associations and organisers who put them there. This is no longer an easy thing to do. Despite a general murmur of lip-service to the benefits of fresh air and exercise, the practice of "out-door education" is under grave threat, with many schools quietly replacing it with tamer pursuits. This is bad news, because there are already enough signs that we are turning into a nation of outdoor illiterates. Every winter, flimsily dressed people are rescued from snowdrifts; I once helped to pull three cars out of a lane with a Land Rover and noticed that everyone wore thin shoes and summer clothes, because they simply could not believe in a world outside their heated cars. Every summer, innocents stroll off up Welsh mountains mapless and hatless without a glance at the weather forecast: countless members of this island race are rescued by the RNLI after drifting out to sea on Lilos. climbing down cliffs to take pictures

Are we raising our children to be a generation of outdoor illiterates?

of waves, or setting out sea-fishing with no cars, spare engine, lifejackets or flares. In the Land's End school disaster - and certain ski-trip incidents since - the most frightening thing was the apparent ignorance of the teachers themselves about the risks that nature, however pretty. presents to the unwary. Outdoor illiteracy is a dangerous thing: who can doubt that we need outdoor education?

Of course, it must be done properly. Ironically, it has been the slovenly cosmetic approach — all PR and no substance - which has

helped to frighten off parents and schools. The principle that a little knowledge is a dangerous thing was illustrated horribly the Lyme Bay apparently smart centre (i feel strongly about this, be

cause my son was there the summer before) turned out to be so illiterate about basic safety that a pack of novice canoeists were sent out in an offshore wind without escort boat. flares or emergency radio-beacons (an emergency position indicating radio beacon, incidentally, now costs less than £200). Yes, these things should be done properly, but that is

no excuse for not doing them at all. Do not confuse outdoor education with sport. Sport may keep you fit, but it generally happens within easy reach of warm showers, hot food and medical services. Outdoor education, on the other hand, may demand less skill but does insist that you confront real uncertainties in mountain, moorland, sea or forest. It demands not showy physical excellence, but doggedness and horsesense. In a sport, if you get tired you can stop. Out in the wild, you can't. Sport has rules governing the angle of the hockeystick, hardness of the ball, and so on; the real world, as the Dartmoor walkers could tell you, does not care whether you live or die.

Some activities straddle sport and true outdoor education: if you go up the climbing-wall at the leisure centre or sail round the buoys on the reservoir, that is sport; going up Snowdon or sailing offshore is outdoor education. Interestingly, some sporting stars are useless when cut off from the comforts of the clubhouse. I once sailed in a crew in which the bespectacled weed and tubby navigator came into their own on a wild night, doggedly steering on while a muscular rugby here and a crack dinghy helmsman lay in their bunks prostrated by seasickness and terror. Yet we deify sport and hardly speak of outdoor education.

A real expedition, in real wilderness, shows children the eternal reality beneath the thin skin of civilis-

ation. It takes them beyond the shallowness of fashion and style to point out certain basic truths without which a great deal of history. literature and art will never properly touch them. It demonstrates that

warmth and protection first, that food is fuel, that cold and heat can kill you and that you have to watch your companions as closely as yourself.

Tet outdoor education is increasingly under threat. We grow softer every year, insisting on swimming baths being heated to a soupy warmth and windows double-glazed to keep out the dangerous air. The pictures from Dartmoor will not have heartened everybody: voices will be raised in indignation at boys and girls being there at all, when they could have been playing five-a-side football in some concrete leisure facility approved under the Children Act. Also. we are becoming a horribly litigious nation, quick to blame, and increasingly dirty-minded in our automatic suspicion of anybody who wants to lead children on camping expeditions. No wonder that schools find it ever harder to summon enthusiasm for such activities: teachers' hours, insurance problems, parental worry and sheer inertia all militate against genuine challenges.

Far easier to play safe with mere sport or with watered-down activities. A lot of Guide and Scout camps, for instance, now seem to take place in the secure gardens of troop leaders, with water from the kitchen tap rather than boiled up from some brackish stream. More and more adventure centre prospectuses place stress on their carefully designed assault courses and canoe training in swimming pools, rather than on confronting the works of nature. All this may be fun, but it is not adventure, and its educational value is limited. Ironically, proper adventures are becoming the preserve of affluent middle-class youth: independent schools such as Gordonstoun can afford to lure their clientele by making their adventurousness a selling point (and can afford full

insurance for teachers who lead it). Their colleagues in the state sector, overworked and over-regulated, have a harder time of it. It takes real strength of character in a head to encourage the potentially trouble-some option of real outdoor education rather than accept some smooth, safe substitute.

Few state schools, for example, would happily increase their burdens by following the admirably eccentric example of Mrs Campion, head of St Felix independent girls' school in Suffolk, who three years ago instituted the Upper Fourth survival challenge. She sent a whole year of 12-year-olds into the woods for two nights with nothing but the SAS-type equipment of bin-bag, candle-stub, razorblade and so forth (they left out the condom. prescribed by the SAS as a watercarrier, out of prudent delicacy for parents' feelings). The little girls were trained and led by a survival expert, and otherwise the only concession to their tender years was that they were issued with already dead rabbits to skin for their supper (vegetarians had to eat nettle soup and learn that Linda McCartney ready-meals do not

hop around in forests). It rained incessantly; some girls were rescued, having proved incapable of building waterproof shelters — a failure which in itself was highly educational and will give them a whole new respect for Bushmen. Other groups lasted the course, thanks to their native wit and doggedness. In the midst of it, I asked one elegant creature, her unprotected hair streaming wetly like a dog's ears, what she had learnt from the experience. "Er . . . not to go out when it's raining," she said.

Well, it's a start. She'd never have found that out in the short gap between the minibus and the heated leisure-dome.

Privatised shares are private

Labour hankers

after control, says

Woodrow Wyatt

nce the dictatorship of the proletariat had been estab-lished, government was supposed to wither on the vine. But it never did: Lenin and Stalin liked power too much and became the dictators of the proletariat. Once competition was established, the regulators of the newly privatised utilities and industries, from whom there is no appeal, were supposed to vanish. But they haven't. Whatever their politics, regulators love regulat-ing. New Labour never ceases to assure business and industry that old Labour's belief in nationalisation is dead; a Labour government would be friendly to private enterprise. Clare Short, however, has worked

out an elaborate scheme for returning Railtrack to public ownership without, she claims, injuring the 650,000 shareholders. They will be able to buy a new kind of debt-equity share — but their original investment will lapse whether they like it or not. Gordon Brown, the Shadow Chancellor, last week confirmed that the windfall tax on privatised utilities, expected by his advisers to raise £2-3 billion, would be spread over three years. The tax is to fund training schemes for the young unemployed and unskilled — which already exist and to which Labour's schemes are unlikely to add anything useful. Mainly, this is an expression of Labour's uneradicated longing for nationalisation. The excuse for the windfall tax is the offensive and sudden riches of top executives created by options and bonuses of which the ordinary shareholder was unaware when he bought the shares. About ten million private shareholders, including me, own at least 10 per cent of the privatised utilities.

Gordon Brown's huge fine is confiscation - and partial nationalisation, as it involves a savage drop in the value of shareholdings, setting a precedent for further windfall taxes whenever a government is short of cash. The effect on overseas investors would be calamitous.

Regulation is needed so long as a newly privatised utility is a monopoly. There will always have to be regulators for water, to ensure that the water companies comply with standards of purity and do not overcharge consumers. Even so, the aim of the regulator should include pressure for greater efficiency and a decent return for the shareholders. A superb example of this has been Professor Stephen Littlechild, the regulator for electricity. He has forced electricity companies to bring down prices with a discipline which enables them to make higher profits for the shareholders. When there is sufficient competition in the industry, the only regulation required will be on the national grid monopoly (because to duplicate the service it provides would be a waste of resources). Already there is some deregulation in electricity supply: large business customers can choose from which company to take their electricity, or to make it themselves. By 1998, all customers will have the same choice.

Clare Spottiswoode, the gas regulator, is right to ensure that TransCo. owner of the national gas pipelines, does not abuse its monopoly. She is awry in penalising its parent, British Gas, by wayward accounting. She has departed from the Monopolies and Mergers Commission's ruling on how depreciation and the value of assets should be calculated. Arbitrarily, she has slashed the asset value and the share price of British Gas, to the severe detriment of 2 trusting Sid, who will hardly feel compensated by a reduction in gas bills for shareholders and nonshareholders alike

nsurprisingly, Margaret Beckett. Labour's Shadow Trade and Industry Secretary, fully supports Clare Spottiswoode. Undoubtedly. British Gas will refer the case to the monopolies commission, asking it to uphold its 1993 rulings. The only change since has been to the good, except for Clare Spottiswoode's

destructive accounting.

British Telecom was a monopoly when first privatised, so a regulator was obviously necessary. BT, as everyone with a telephone knows. has steadily reduced its prices and improved its services, as well as making large profits for its shareholders. It is no longer a monopoly. I am a BT shareholder. My phone is now ingeniously equipped with a system which automatically decides whether my call is cheaper through BT or Mercury. It is patently absurd for the Department of Trade and Industry and the director-general of Oftel to police BT, other than to ensure that it does not charge excessively for the lines its competitors use. Even this dwindles to insignificance as firms like Paknet increasingly transmit telephone services through the ether. As a result of the unreasonable interference by the Government and the director-general of Oftel. BT shares have consistently underperformed on the FTSE index. though shareholders have provided the means for the investment which has made BT a world leader.

When a deregulating Conservative Government persists in squashing BT and refusing to deregulate the outdated regulation of other privatised concerns, Heaven knows what would be in store from Labour.



THE MURKY, secret life of Douglas Hurd can be revealed at last. As a Cambridge undergraduate he

was approached to be a spy. Hurd was courted by MI6 and turned down life in the James Bond mould only because ambition got the better of him. He quickly realised that he would receive no public recognition for his work as a spy, and instead joined the Foreign Office before pursuing a political

He was approached by spymasters while studying at Trinity College. Hurd discloses in a forthcoming Radio 4 series that when the admiral who tried to recruit him explained that one drawback of a career in the Secret Intelligence Service was that one was never given credit for achievement, he turned him down flat. Mi6 agents in the field only ever reach the rank of First Secretary, and that can be frustrating for men with greater ambitions.

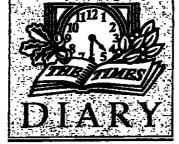
The revelation that the familiar patrician figure strutting the world stage in his trademark loden coat could have been an anonymous character skulking in the shadows comes in Letters from a Diplomat,

a five-part series presented by the former Foreign Secretary and tracing his career.

Those hoping to hear his views on the present Government may be less excited. He has even put on hold plans to write his memoirs. "More time is needed in order to give events their right proportion and perspective," he says cautiously.



"The delay is due to money on the line



 Fed up with losing strawberries to hungry Chelsea Flower Show visitors — the Queen has been known to help herself from the odd stand — one grower was yesterday planning revenge. "Next year I am going to cover my strawberries in Epsom salts. They won't come back for more then."

Taking sides

THE BIZARRE debate about the Messiah's political views rumbles on. After Tony Blair suggested that Conservatism was incompatible with Christianity, Harry Greenway, the MP for Ealing North, has climbed into the pulpit to deliver a more forthright sermon: Jesus was

"Jesus was certainly a Conservative, teaching that every individual

is made in the image of God and therefore sacred and not to be treated as part of the masses' in the way that socialism dictates," he writes in his local paper, the Greenford and Northolt Gazette.

In response he has been given a blast by his bishop. "He has missed the point of so much that Jesus did and taught," says the Rt Rev Graham Dow, Bishop of Willesden. "Britain needs Christianity a hundred times more than it needs Conservatism.

Crimebusters

TONY BLAIR should be wary of trotting out his familiar boast that he is "tough on crime, tough on the causes of crime" when out on the stump in his Sedgefield constituency. Lizzie Noel, his feisty Tory opponent, has her own hands-on approach to catching criminals.

Travelling through Notting Hill in a mini-cab the other day, she spotted a poor fellow being relieved of his wallet by a mugger. Leaping from the car she tended to the victim and instructed her fiance, Henry Pitman, a former military man and stepson to Andrew Parker Bowles, to chase the villain.

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on reform. After some derring-do and hot pursuit over walls and fences, the



Arresting performance: Noel

and the taxi-driver, and a citizen's arrest was made. Should he be incarcerated for his crime, he could have no more useful visitor than Lizzie herself, a former prison psychologist at Wormwood Scrubs who is now writing a book on pris-

 Norma Major has been busy in her kitchen. For the first Lady Taverners race evening at Windsor last night, she had baked a whopquarry was cornered by Pitman per of a passion cake and also of-



water-heaters in the pond, and we used bubble-wrap to ensure that the lilies were warm enough," says Barbara Davies of Stapeley Water Gardens. "But it was still too cold, so we needed some hot water.

"We ordered taxis to get the tea urns, and we just hope that the water will be warm enough, but things could be as bad as we expect. None of the buds are flowering, and you can understand in this cold weather why they won t."

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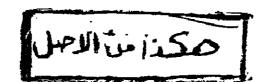
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DEFAMATION DAY

The Bill of Rights is bigger than any Member's interest

In an important judgment last year, the European Court of Human Rights criticised the record award of £1.5 million in the Lord Aldington v Count Tolstoy libel case. While Count Tolstoy's allegations were untrue, the British system of letting juries pluck figures out of the air, without any sensible guidance from a judge, was found to run counter to the free speech provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights.

Since then the Court of Appeal has wisely overturned the rule that judges could not give juries guidance on the level of awards in libel actions. Coupled with Section 8 of the Courts and Legal Services Act 1990, which gives the Court of Appeal the power to reduce or increase a jury award in a libel action, a sensible set of guidelines should now emerge, allowing juries to know roughly what to award if a defendant wrongly accuses someone of being a liar, a thief or a blackmailer.

Today the House of Commons will begin to consider the Lord Chancellor's Defamation Bill. This is aimed at persuading newspapers and television companies to come forward with rapid apologies by offering a defence of "offer of amends". Under its proposals the media company would admit that it made a mistake, apologise and then leave it up to a judge to award a sensible sum in damages.

The Bill has already been much improved during its passage through the Lords. The Lord Chancellor has heard the serious worries of the media over the "offer of amends" procedure if it was going to be left to a judge to dictate where and in what terms a correction and apology should appear. Under new proposals, the judge will instead be able to increase the damages if he is not satisfied that the apology was sufficient and reasonable.

But the Bill still has some defects, most notably the power left with judges to order apologies where an aggrieved party is able to convince a court that the media company has no defence to a claim. This will put the courts and the media on a collision course. Moreover, if judges are given a new power to order apologies, what is to stop them ordering Count Tolstoy, after a hard fought libel action, to apologise to Lord Aldington, something which he would almost certainly refuse to do? In those circumstances the law would risk ridicule,

But the real defect in the Bill is a late amendment which would allow MPs to waive parliamentary privilege in order to pursue personal libel actions against newspapers or even other MPs who make allegations about their behaviour within the precincts of the House. This amendment, put forward by Lord Hoffman, has an outward attractiveness in that it would appear to allow MPs, such as Neil Hamilton, to clear their names when attacked over issues like "questions for cash". At present they cannot pursue libel actions involving matters within the aegis of the House of Commons because Article 9 of the Bill of Rights 1689 states that "freedom of speech and debate in Parliament ought not to be impeached or questioned in any Court or place out of Parliament".

Parliamentary privilege, however, is a collective right of the whole House. An individual MP should not be able to waive it simply in order to deal with trips to Paris, questions in the House or the registration of Members' interests. Even more fundamentally, one MP or a group of MPs should not be able to waive privilege to try to stifle opposition criticism.

As is admitted by Lord Hoffman himself. the amendment will lead to embarrassing situations when one MP decides to waive privilege and sue while another in a similar situation decides not to. On this amendment the Lord Chancellor must listen to the wise advice of Lord Simon of Glaisdale that an amendment such as this, which goes to the heart of our constitution and the Bill of Rights of 1689, should be referred to a committee of both Houses before any further move is made.

KEEP IT CLEAN

The Tories need to be more discerning with donors

There is a nasty smell again in Smith Square. The Conservative Party, whose last four years in government have been marred by accusations of sleaze, is back in the dock, accused of naving accepted money from curious Balkan sources and failing to return £365,000, given to the party by Asil Nadir. which accountants contend was stolen.

The party chairman, Brian Mawhinney, has promised to investigate and return the cash if he is satisfied that the money is tainted. That is all very well as far as it goes. Unless the Tories show a greater degree of discretion in dealing with donors they risk damaging not only their own cause but the health of our political system.

At the next general election money will matter more to the Conservatives than at any time in recent memory. The days when large companies dispatched a donation to the Conservative Party as regularly as they filed their VAT returns have gone. The threat of nationalisation and punitive taxation from Labour has receded and shareholders are increasingly dubious about the wisdom of seeing their profits handed to politicians on their behalf.

With tired and discredited ministers. shrinking party membership and previously loval newspapers no longer reliable, the Tories have to rely on expensive advertising and campaigning techniques to get their message across. Worse still, Labour is in a strong position, partly as a result of the growth in membership since Tony Blair's election as leader.

Despite these constraints, the Tories claim to have put their finances on a sufficiently sure footing to fight the next election in the way they wish. Many businessmen who

started companies in the Eighties and benefited from supply side reforms have given generously, prompted by fear of a Labour Government committed to introducing the social chapter. The fories cannot ensure that every entrepeneur who wishes to give has completely clean hands. Every political party has been embarased by the activities of some of its backers. But the Conservatives should be more careful from whom they accept cash, and be readier to return any discredited donation.

When Conservative ministers argue that our political system is freer of graft than most others, they usually provoke a cynical shrug. But they are correct. The United Kingdom has been spared corruption scandals on the scale of those which have undermined democracies as sophisticated as Germany, Spain, France and Belgium. For that reason the Tories should be particularly reluctant to take money from foreign donors. Accepting cash from countries where political influence is a commodity can all too easily compromise a party. Government policy may not have been influenced by donations. But the Tory Party does itself few favours by fishing in murky pools.

Most dangerously of all, it fuels demand for reforms, such as the publication of all donations and the State funding of parties. A law requiring publication of gifts would be a regrettable infringement of the right of the individual. State funding would mean. in effect, nationalising the parties. Political parties should raise their own revenue, not act as yet another drain on the Inland Revenue. For the sake of the State, and its own reputation, the Tory party must work harder to put itself above suspicion.

VIEWING BY APPOINTMENT

Marble Arch never sleeps but who could sleep in Marble Arch?

After 170 years of uselessness and £100,000 of refurbishment, the Government is at last proposing to do something with Marble Arch. According to Virginia Bottomley's announcement in the Commons yesterday. the forgotten gatekeepers' rooms at the top of this forgotten treasure of national heritage may in future be let as apartments.

Britain has never been as comfortable with arches as more triumphalist nations. Not only do we keep our streets unusually empty of them. But our great historian, Gibbon, derided the Arch of Constantine in Rome, the prototype from which Nash copied his Britannic version, seeing decadence in the way that older monuments were cannibalised for its creation.

Gibbon would have found much decadence and infirmity of purpose in the history of London's Marble Arch. It was first erected as the grand entrance to Buckingham Palace. But, being too narrow for ceremonial uses, it was removed to its present site which until then had been famous only as Tyburn gallows. An equestrian statue of George IV (managing to ride bareback without boots or stirrups) had intended to be set on top of it. This was relocated to its

pedestal in Trafalgar Square. Hence Marble Arch has given its name to the busiest traffic roundabout in London and the station on the Central Line where the line is usually being repaired on Sundays. Because of the Arch's original function as royal gateway, only senior members of the Royal Family and the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery are allowed to pass through its central arch. But they risk their lives to try. Marble Arch stands in howling isolation as a traffic island for 5,800 vehicles an hour at peak periods. So the tourists who take this heritage trail have to survive the road rage of the traffic before exposing themselves to the fundamentalist rage of Speakers Corner. The maze of subways beneath the Marble Arch is the most malodorous and misleadingly signposted in London.

Two years ago the then National Heritage Secretary, Peter Brooke, held a competition to liberate Marble Arch from traffic chaos and neglect. The winning scheme proposed to turn the triangle between the Arch and Speakers' Corner into a pedestrian way so that people could visit the London landmark and see Nash's sculpture. Traffic was to be diverted down an underpass. The scheme was shelved when it was costed at £21 million, and Westminster City Council decided it would generate more congestion. No arch ever sleeps. But noone in Marble Arch could ever sleep. To turn the hub of a "gyratory system" into a Mayfair apartment is to find a living use for Marble Arch. But who will be able to live there? Only hermits who have lost their marbles already.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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forensic testing

From the Director, National Council for Civil Liberties

Sir, The fact that a government science laboratory's equipment responsible for evaluating forensic evidence has been found to be contaminated with traces of explosives (reports May 15. lb; article May 16) is of serious concern. Anxiety, however, is not limited to those convicted post-1989, as has been accepted by the Home Secretary: the whole system for the evaluation of forensic evidence gives concern.

That system is in crisis and has been for decades. This has been proved by the litany of miscarriages of justice which have stemmed from prosecutions based upon suspect forensic evidence.

This recent revelation is merely corrfirmation of the fact that the methods used to accumulate forensic evidence need to be seen to be radically overhauled. More procedural safeguards must be built into the process to proteet individuals against the risk of false positive results.

The Home Secretary should there fore not limit the proposed inquiry to those known individuals who may have been convicted on the basis of flawed forensic evidence gathered from the contaminated equipment. Rather, he should take the opportunity to conduct an investigation into the entire forensic examination proce-

dure. Whilst it is hoped that the proposed inquiry should go some way to ad-dressing the problems arising out of this particular crisis, without a root and branch examination of the entire system with the aim of establishing a high level of quality control, these potential miscarriages of justice arising from dubious forensic evidence are unlikely to be the last.

Yours faithfully, JOHN WADHAM, Director. National Council for Civil Liberties. 21 Tabard Street, SE1.

Fulham's new bishop

From the Reverend David H. Hubbard

Sir. Your assumption that the appointment of John Broadhurst as Bishop of Fulham "will enrage the centre and liberal wings of the Church (report, May 14) is not helpful: and those supporters of the ordination of women who have worked with John Broadhurst will surely recognise his undoubted leadership ability, and will want to congratulate him and pray for his future episcopal ministry in this diocese.

It is true that we may not be able to work and worship in unison in London, but at least we can aim at harmony, a goal that will be the more easily reached if the London diocesan ark of salvation is not rocked by forces without.

I write as one who has been described in this area as a "notorious" supporter of the ordination of women.

Yours faithfully. DAVID H. HÚBBARD. Church Road, Highgate, No. May 14.

Chinese tribes

From Mr Alastair D. Harper

Sir, There is nothing surprising in remains of a Caucasian type of people coming to light in the Tarim Basin, in the Xinjiang autonomous region of north-west China (report, May 10).

This geographical area, settled exclusively by mongoloid people today, was historically a homeland and a point of diffusion for Caucasian tribes, which the Chinese and the Tartars called Wu Sun or Hs Ung Nu. Chinese annals describe them as "tall with red hair, grey eyes, and fair skin". Herodotus and Aeschylus report similarly on the tribes which also bear the names of Tokhari, Kushans, Ephthalites and Sakae.

Though nothing remains of these people in the living strains of the Chinese, the vestigial evidence recently disinterred is rightly perceived as of great anthropological importance. It is significant that in the still scarcely accessible mountains of east Afghanistan a culturally archaic people, formerly known as Kaliri and now as Nuristani, persist. Until the 1890s they practised an ancient Indo-European religion, from which they were forcibly converted to Islam. In their foggy hinterland many of them remain

In this region of early racial maelstrom it is interesting to remember that the Tocharian language, which persisted for a considerable time north of the Himalayas and eastward, was a purely Caucasian tongue more closely related to the western Indo-European speech than to Indo-Iranian.

It will not be a surprise if many of the presumptions in the field of ethnography are soon to be shaken by the discovery of those skeletons in this ancient cupboard of history.

Yours etc. ALASTAIR D. HARPER, House of Gask, Lathalmond, by Dunfermline, Fife. May II.

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Radical reform for Future of science at British Library

From Mr Richard Gallafent

Sir, Your report concerning the National Audit Office report on the British Library ("Whitehall let costs 'run out of control at British Library.", May 15) made depressing reading, particularly for those not previously aware of the likely excess of demand over capacity on the science reading room as soon as the building is finally opened.

The building will no doubt be regarded in good time as a great national asset, but it can now be seen to be too small. The science section of the library is a vital resource for British industry. If information cannot be found or is more difficult to find in the new building, the loss to British industry will be profound.

One possible way of alleviating the space problem at St Pancras is to reexamine whether it should be the home both for the sciences and the humanities. The origin of the British Library's science holdings is the old Patent Office Library, an unrivalled collection of material built up on the solid foundation laid by a Victorian, Bennett Woodcraft, and carefully improved and developed by the Patent Office and latterly by the British Library it-

The Science Reference and Information Service of the British Library (under its present organisation) is a hive of industry and activity and, on any objective assessment, a major success. It earns substantial sums of money which assist in defraying the high operating costs inevitably associated with a world-class library and it serves its users well.

brary against the gloomy scenario of poorer service and more cramped conditions if present plans to move the collection to St Pancras proceed? A bold and straightforward alternative would solve some of the British Li-

In the light of the NAO report, can we now reassess the role of the science

and technology side of the British Li-

brary's problems with its new build-ing and benefit industry and commerce immeasurably. It is to transfer the science holdings (perhaps less the more historic material, but including the whole of the intellectual property material - patents, trademarks and designs) back to the Department of Trade and industry, and probably conveniently back to the Patent Office. It can stay in its present accommodation at Holborn, where it has been since the last century

I wonder whether the ministers and departments concerned will have the courage to make a move which. I suspect, would have widespread support from industry, users of the science re-ference and information service and many, if not all, of the British Library's current employees, who have worked hard to build the service to its present eminence.

Yours faithfully, RICHARD GALLAFENT (Member, British Library Science Reference and Information Service Advisory Committee; Chairman, Libraries Liaison Committee), The Chartered Institute of Patent Agents. Staple Inn Buildings. High Holborn, WCI.

Charitable bequests.

From Mr David Hohman

Sir. It is not at all surprising that the Charities Aid Foundation's report on charitable giving has recorded a 20 per cent drop in bequests to educational organisations (details, May 13). No doubt the same thing has happened to many other less fashionable causes outside the magic circle.

Many charities prospered in the 1970s and early 1980s from a massive increase in bequests derived from the estates of those who had no idea of their personal assets, enshrined in the inflated value of their home.

As a result charities, which were often the residual beneficiaries, often ended up with a great deal more than named relatives who had been left quite small specific sums, based on assumptions about values made many years before, when the wills were writ-

As the then director of a charity devoted to the care of elderly people, I

dition to our resources. At the same time, it was discomforting to think that many elderly widows, who had probably been excluded from discussion about their financial affairs during their husbands' lifetimes, must often have endured unnecessary discomfort, with no one to advise them about better ways of using their capital for their own benefit. Now, perhaps the question won't arise for different reasons. The insur-

naturally welcomed this valuable ad-

ance corporations and their shareholders will be the winners who take nearly all, as the Government induces us to take out policies to cover nursing home fees for elderly people and we bid a sad farewell to the welfare society (letters, May 14).

Yours etc. DAVID HOBMAN (Director, Age Concern England, 1971-87). Robinswood, George's Lane, Storrington, West Sussex. May 14.

Witness support

From Ms Ruth Pitter

Sir, Do we really need training courses costing almost £700 for would-be witnesses in forthcoming trials (Law, May 14)? The Crown Court Witness Service, a branch of Victim Support, is now present in every Crown Court, with the sole object of preparing witnesses for their court appearance.

This is a charity with co-ordinators and trained volunteers to guide witnesses on where to wait and what to expect in court, and to speak up if they don't understand questions or remember the facts.

Witnesses are offered a visit to a court before the case so they know what to expect and guidance on court

procedure. Child witnesses can have a demonstration of the closed-circuit TV link. Any witness can be accompanied into the courtroom.

Most witness services can provide comfortable rooms in the court buildings, with tea and coffee, where witnesses can wait to be called. We also liaise with criminal justice agencies on their behalf. This service will not produce a "su-

perwitness" but will encourage a relaxed one with information and support at hand - and it is free.

Yours faithfully, RUTH PITTER, Co-ordinator, Bristol Crown Court Witness Service. The Law Courts. Small Street, Bristol. May 16.

Ten Tors trek

From the Headmaster of Clifton College

Sir, Amid all the reports today of the Ten Tors trek I hope there will be praise and thanks given to the Army for the work they did to ensure that the young people were safe.

Those of my own pupils whose trek

was curtailed are disappointed, but they have learnt an enormous amount and they are extremely grateful to all who took part in organising the evacu-

Yours faithfully, HUGH MONRO. Headmaster. Clifton College 32 College Road, Bristol. May 20.

Deakin at war

the work of John Deakin (Arts, May 1) omits an important part of his life: his five years as an army photographer during World War Two.

He also asserts, in my view wrongly, that John always considered himself first a painter rather than a photographer.

I first met John in December 1942 when he joined the Eighth Army film and photographic unit where he came under the command of Geoffrey Keating, a legend amongst army photographers, who insisted they should share the dangers of battle with the

As Field Marshal Montgomery's press officer and editor of Eighth Army News, I was determined to get into Tripoli with the advance troops to secure the printing presses from looting and John volunteered to come with

Water disconnections

From Mr Bryan Hart

Sir, Ms Barbara Murphy, of Thames Water (letter, May 18), notes that the company had a disconnection rate of four per 10,000 households, "which is close to the national average of three households per 10.000".

Maybe, but it would seem to be equally true to say the disconnection rate for Thames Water was one third higher than the national average.
I suppose it all depends on whether

one is doing the disconnecting or being disconnected.

me. His response to heavy fire was not

to take cover but remain busy with his

Yours sincerely, BRYAN HART, 50 Birchwood Drive. Leigh-on-Sea, Essex. May 20.

From Mr Warwick Charlton

He helped me produce the first copy Sir, John Russell Taylor's review of of Tripoli Times before returning to Geoffrey Keating for the final battles in North Africa. He then joined the forces in Europe.

John took many distinguished pictures, but they were released, as was the work of all army photographers. without attribution.

On the rare occasions when John reminisced about his time as an army photographer and how much it had taught him, he said: "The Army was the most important learning process of my life. When I joined the Army 1 was a painter passing myself off as a photographer, when I left I was a photographer who sometimes painted."

Yours faithfully, WARWICK CHARLTON. Avon Castle. Ringwood, Hampshire. May 10.

Liberal Party vote on joining EEC

From Mr Jeremy Thorpe

Sir, BBC2 is showing Michael Elliott's four-part series on Britain's relations with the Common Market. Last night's programme dealt with the background to Britain's accession to the Community. It suggested that the second reading of the European Communities Bill in February 1972 was made possible simply and solely on the abstentions of 15 Labour MPs.

No reference was made to the fact that the Liberal Party provided four votes and thus played a major part in obtaining the majority of eight. Had we followed the Labour Party's example and voted against the Government their majority would have disappeared.

At the end of the debate, I and my colleagues were physically attacked by Labour MPs and the disorder which followed formed the headline in

almost every national newspaper. Prior to the debate I spoke with Willie Whitelaw, Leader of the House, to make it clear that if the Prime Minister, Mr Heath, made the vote one of confidence in himself and/or the administration, the Liberals would not vote in the Aye lobby, but we would. however, vote for Europe, to which cause we have been uniquely consis-

I suggested a form of words for the Prime Minister's wind-up speech stating that the House of Commons, having voted overwhelmingly in favour of the principle of entry to the EEC. could not credibly continue without an election if they failed to give legislative effect to the principle already agreed upon.

At the end of the debate Mr Harold Wilson asked the Government to make a statement of their intentions and reminded them that Mr Heath had said he must get legislation through on Tory votes and he had not. since his own majority was given him

by the Liberals. The total omission by this programme of any reference to the part played by the Parliamentary Liberal Party is a grossly selective exercise in

writing history. The programme seeks to establish the time when France withdrew her veto on our renewed application to join the EEC. The first occasion was on November 7, 1969, when Maurice Schumann, the French Foreign Minister, at a meeting at the Quai d'Orsay with Christopher Soames, our Ambassador, and myself stated France had no further objection to our

renewed application. I have the honour to be your obedient servant. JEREMY THORPE, 2 Orme Square, W2.

Party donations

From the Chairman of Harrods

Sir, Your report of May 2 that I offered financial support to the Liberal Democrats but that the party declined it is seriously misleading. I did have discussions with senior members of the party about the most effective way to bring about a thoroughgoing reform of the way in which this country is governed; financial support was one of many ideas that was broached. In the event, I decided that giving money to any of the existing parties was not likely to bring about the sort of change which is sorely needed.

The Liberal Democrats were most willing to receive a donation and made that clear. Had I given money to the party I would have announced it. There could have been nothing wrong with the Liberal Democrats accepting my money as I have earned it and it is mine to dispose of as I see fit.

The Conservative Party is largely funded by companies who do not consult their shareholders, except in the most perfunctory way, before giving away the company's cash and even new Labour still depends upon the contributions of trade unionists who may or may not be happy about their subscriptions going to Walworth

Yours faithfully, M. AL FAYED, Chairman, Harrods. Knightsbridge, SW1. 20 May.

It's a cover-up From Mr William Goff

Sir, Barely had I read Peter Knight's letter (May 13), wondering about the comparative benefits of Walk Shorts. Swimshorts and Vest Tops, than I received my monthly statement of account from the John Lewis Partnership informing me that one of their experienced fitters would measure me in complete privacy" and discuss "any special needs" I might have, and then she would help me "choose the

Yours sincerely. WILLIAM GÓFF. Beech House. Saxlingham Nethergate. Norwich, Norfolk.

bra that is exactly right" for me.

From Dr Georges Ware

Sir, Can I assure Peter Knight that I did not even find shorts, trunks and vests any better than my original togs, bim-bags and winter warmers.

Yours faithfully, GEORGES WARE, 85 Cranbrook Road, Redland, Bristol, May 13.



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE May 20: The Queen, Patron, Royal Horticultural Society, and The Duke of Edinburgh this evening visited the Chelsea Flower Show in the Gardens of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea. His Royal Highness, Honorary Member, the Rotary Club of London.

this afternoon presented the Leo-nardo da Vinci Award 1996 at

The Duke of Edinburgh, Colonel, Grenadier Guards, this evening at-tended the First Guards Club Dinner at the Savoy Hotel, London WCZ. BUCKINGHAM PALACE

evening attended the final of the Real Tennis Laurent Perrier Masters Championship at the Queen's Club, London W14.

PALACE OF HOLYROODHOUSE May 20: The Princess Royal, Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland,

Assembly of the Church of Scotland, this morning attended Hoty Communion at the Assembly Hall.

Her Royal Highness afterwards attended a business session of the General Assembly.

The Princess Royal later visited Cumungham House, Cowgate, Edinburch. Edinburgh.
Her Royal Highness this afternoon

rice Royal rightess this alternoor visited Oakshaw Trinity Church, Paisley, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Renfrewshin. (the Lord Goold).

The Princess Royal later visited Queen Mary House. Queen Mary Avenue, Glassow, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the City of Glasgow (Mr Patrick Lally, the Rt Hon the Lord Provost).

Her Royal Highness afterwards visited Langside Church, Ledard Street, Glasgow.
The Princess Royal subsequently

The Duke of Edinburgh, as President of the World Wide Fund for

Nature, WWF-International, will

visit Ogilvy and Mather, 10 Cabot Square, Canary Wharf, at 12.35; as

President of the Royal Commission

for the Exhibition of 1851, will

attend the commissioners' dinner

The Prince of Wales, as Duke of Cornwall, will visit Poundbury. Dorchester, Dorset, at 10.40, will

tour the development and open the

offices of SMTech, and will hold a

reception for those involved with

The Duke of York will attend the

third Eastern European Orga-

nised Crime Symposium dinner, given by the National Criminal

intelligence Service, at Lancaster

The Princess Royal, as Lord High

Commissioner to the General

Assembly of the Church of Scot-

land, will visit Kilmore and Oban

Parish Centre, Glencruitten Road,

Community and Iona Cathedral at

RIRTHS: Albrecht Dürer, painter

and engraver, Nuremberg, 1471;

Alexander Pope, poet, London,

1688: Elizabeth Fry, prison re-former, Norwich, 1780; Henri

Rnusseau, painter, Laval. France.

1844; Mikhail Sholokhov, novelist,

DEATHS: King Henry VI, reigned

1422-61 and 1470-71, murdered, London, 1471; Hieronymos

Fabricius, surgeon and pioneer of

embryology, Padua, 1619; Pieter

Hooft, poet, The Hague, 1647; James Graham, 1st Marquess of

Montrose, Royalist, executed, Edinburgh, 1650; Robert Harley.

lst Earl of Oxford, statesman,

London, 1724; Christopher Smart.

poet, in a debtors prison, 1771; Carl Scheele, chemist, Kopin, Sweden,

1786; Ronald Firbank, novelist,

Kruzhilin, Russia, 1905.

the development.

House at 7.45.

Royal engagements

Her Royal Highness this evening gave a Dinner at the Palace of Holyroodhouse. ST JAMES'S PALACE

May 20: The Prince of Wales. Duke of Cornwall, this morning received the Secretary of the Duchy of Cornwall

isited the Mallard, Springburn,

(Mr John James).
His Royal Highness, Vice-Patron, this afternoon gave a Reception for members of the British Council. The Prince of Wales, President, The Prince's Trust, this evering gave a Dianer to thank major supporters of the Trust's work with disadvantaged

young people.
KENSINGTON PALACE May 20: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon, this evening visited the Chelsea Show of the Royal

visued me creased show or the keyau
Horticultural Society in the Gardens
of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea.
Her Royal Highness launched the
new rose "Norwich Cathedral",
commemorating the 900th anniversary of the foundation of the Cathedral and Diocese dral and Diocese. May 20: The Duke of Gloucester this

evening attended a dinner to cele-brane Lord Menuhin's 80th Birthday at the Mansion House, London EC4. The Duchess of Gloucester this afternoon visited the Chelsea Flower Show of the Royal Horticultural Society in the gardens of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, London SW3, THATCHED HOUSE LODGE

12.35; will visit Invereck. Sandbank

Road, Dunoon, at 2.45; will visit

the Phoenix Centre, Strathclyde

Regional Council Social Work Offices, Union Street, Rothesay, at 3.50; and will visit Dalmuir

Church, Dumbarton, Road, Clyde-

Princess Margaret, as President of

the Guide Association, will attend the annual meeting at Common-

wealth Headquarters, Bucking-ham Palace Road, at 11.25; and at

Church House Conference Centre

The Duke of Gloucester, as Presi-

The Duchess of Kent, as royal

patron, will attend the Age Con-cern National Advisory Council

meeting at Walkden House, Mei-

Rome 1926: Archibald Primrose.

ton Street, NWI, at 200.

Anniversaries

bank, at 5.00.

May 20: Princess Alexandra, accompanied by the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy, this evening visited the Chelsea Flower Show in the Gardens of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea.

Her Royal Highness, President of the Imperial Cancer Person bright yellow "Ray of Sunshine". the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. and the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy subsequently attended the Gala Pre-view of the Chelsea Flower Show.

Among his display of alstroemerias, Peter J. Smith, of Ashington, West

Chelsea Flower Show

Summer is slightly scaled down

By Alan Toogood, Horticulture correspondent

cultivar — "HRH Princess Alexandra".

Some of the big nurseries have staged

(Lonicera periclymenum) "Graham

bridge. Suffolk, have staged a display of

drought-tolerant plants including the new purple-leaved shrub, Physocarpus

opulifolius "Diabolo", and even a hosta

which will flower in full sun, H.

The Alpine Garden Society, of

Pershore, Hereford and Worcester, and

the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh

are showing Chinese alpine plants intro-

duced into Britain, displayed in an

authentic landscape of screes and streams. The collection includes plants

raised from seed collected on the AGS

expedition to Szechuan and Yunnan in

1994, including the rare, red-flowered

plantwoman and author Margery Fish

and her East Lambrook, Somerset,

garden (currently being restored), are

Euphorbia characias wulfenii "Lam-

brook Gold" and Artemisia absinthium

Plants associated with the late

plantaginea "White Fairy".

Meconopsis punicea.

Notcutts Garden Centres, of Wood-

nomas".

DESPITE a cold late spring with poor Sussex, is showing the first pure white light, Chelsea Flower Show exhibitors have managed to stage most of the favourite summer flowers that visitors expect to see in the great marquee, albeit on a smaller scale in some instances.

There is a swath of stately delphiniums from traditional blue to the latest pink shades from Blackmore & Langdon, of Pensford, Bristol; the New Generation lupins from Woodfield Brothers, of Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire, including the new pink and white "Jack Wood" and champagne-coloured "Rosa-lind Woodfield"; and the traditional display of Iceland poppies from Home Meadows Nursery, of Martiesham, Suffolk, creating a splash of sunshine with

their bright yellow and orange flowers. S & N Brackley, of Wingrave, Buckinghamshire, have just about managed to stage a display of sweet peas, including the new "Elegance" with brilliant white, strongly fragrant flowers. With some extra heat to force them along, Ken Muire, of Weeley Heath, Essex, has ripened enough strawberries to create his usual Chelsea display. A new cultivar is included this year — "Symphony", said to be resistant to vine weevil.

The show, which opens today, is strong on roses as usual and many new cultivars are making their debut. But Cants, of Colchester, Essex, are concentrating on the small patio roses which are currently among the top-selling kinds, including cultivars trained as standards such as

Plants for hanging baskets are also in vogue and a range of well-known and unusual kinds is being shown by Cook's Garden Centre, of Stourport-on-Severn, Hereford and Worcester, including new small-flowered petunias "Million Bells Purple" and "Million Bells Pink".

Lambrook Silver". Among the more unusual exhibits is a collection of alliums or ornamental onions from Rupert Bowlby, of Gatton,

Surrey, including some giant kinds with large globular flower heads in shades of mauve such as "Purple Sensation".

exhibits with strong themes this year. Hillier Nurseries, of Ampfield, Hampshire, have created a colour co-ordinated garden honouring and inspired by famous gardeners: Gertrude Jekyll, Vita Sackville-West, Graham Stuart Thomas and Sir Harold Hillier. The exhibit includes a wealth of hardy plants, trees, fronds. shrubs and roses including the New English rose and the honeysuckle

is a range of front gardens designed and created by some of our well-known garden centres.

There are plenty of displays of tropical and other exotic plants. Native Australian plants, all grown for cutting, are being shown by The Flowers and Gardens of Melbourne, Victoria, and include the furry flowers of kangaroo paws (anigozanthus), and the fat brush-like fiery coloured banksias.

The Royal Horticultural Society's Garden, Wisley, Surrey, has staged a large display of caladiums. South American foliage plants with large multicoloured leaves, plus related plants such as Swiss cheese plants (monsteras) and philodendrons. This is probably the

Tropical Rain Forest of Leeds. West Yorkshire, have created a flooded-forest setting for their collection of colourful bromeliads (South American pineapple relations) mounted on tree branches. A new plant is being featured, the flame-

being shown by the Kent Group of the Hardy Plant Society. The design reflects the various areas of her garden and includes such well-known plants as show information line 0171 S28 1744.

"Gladiator" and "Rien Poorvliet".

Ferns are enjoying renewed popularity and are much in evidence at Chelsea. Tree ferns from Australia and New Zealand are being featured by Rickard's Hardy Ferns, of Tenbury Wells. Here-ford and Worcester, as well as dryopteris ferns with newly emerged fresh green

Something different at this year's show

largest collection of caladiums in the UK.

coloured Guzmania Indiana.

The private view for RHS members is today and tomorrow. The show, in the grounds of the Royal Hospital. Chelsea, is open to the public on Thursday from 8am to Spm and Friday from Sam to 5pm. Admission by ticket only bought in advance (no tickets at gates). The 24-hour

Luncheons

Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs. was the host at a huncheon held yesterday at the Royal Society in honour of Mr Blagovest Sendov. Speaker of the Bulgarian Parliament, and Mrs

central council were the hosts.

Wiltshire Lieutenancy The Vice Lord-Lieutenant and the Deputy Lieutenants of Wiltshire yesterday held a luncheon for the Lord-Lieutenant of Wiltshire and

Coopers' Company The following have been elected officers of the Coopers' Company

for the ensuing year. Master, Mr J.B. Holden; Upper Warden, Mr D. Barker, Under Warrien, Mr G.C. Sutton.

Oxford Society

The Hon Lady Goodhart to be chairman of the executive com-mittee of the Oxford Society in succession to Sir Julian Bullard who has retired.

Lincoln's Inn

Mr Douglas Henry Day, QC, and Mr John Bernard Goldring, QC, have been elected Benchers of

Dinners

HM Lord High Commissioner The Princess Royal. Her Majesty's Lord High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, gave a dirmer last night at the Palace of Holyroodhouse.

Among those present were:
Lord and Lady Ross, Sir Michael
Bishop, Dr and Mrs Michael Shea,
Mr and Mrs John Cameron, Mr and
Mrs Tom Farmer, Mr David
McCleary and Mrs Ann Gloag, Mr
and Mrs Alan Jones, Mr Kjell
Mikaisen, Mr and Mrs John Paterson
and Mrs and Mrs Brian Souter. Carlton Club

Sir Edward Heath, KG, MP, was the guest of honour at a dinner held last night at the Carlton Club in recognition of his achievement, in recognition of his activement, on May 17, in breaking the record, previously held by Lloyd George with 22 years and 73 days, as the former Prime Minister with the longest subsequent service in the House of Commons. Lord Wakeham, chairman, presided.

Royal Society of St George Mrs Pauline Halliday, Chairman of the Council of the City of London branch of the Royal Society of St George, accompanied by Mr Peter Halliday, presided at the installa-tion dinner held last night at the City Livery Chib. Sir Gordon Shattock and Mr Deputy Bernard L. Morgan, branch president, also

The Athenaeum Emeritus Professor Neil Kessel was a speaker at a talk dinner held last night at the Athenaeum. Mr Michael Shaw was in the chair. Parliamentary and Scientific

Sir Michael Spicer, Chairman of the Parliamentary and Scientific Committee, was the host last night at a dinner held at the House of Commons after Professor Ken Pounds, Chief Executive of the Particle Physics and Astronomy Research Concil, and Dr W.S. Bardo had given addresses at a meeting of the committee. Among others present were:

Lord Flowers, FRS, Lord Sherfleid, Sir Ian Lloyd, Sir Martin Rees, FRS, Profesor Malcolm Longair, FRSE, Dr Carole, Jordan, FRS, Dr Jeremy Bray, MP, and Dr Michael Clark, MP. Milton Keynes & North Bucks Chamber of Commerce Training

& Enterprise
The Right Hon Margaret Beckett,
Shadow President of the Board of Trade, was the guest of honour and principal speaker at the Mil-ton Keynes & North Bucks Chamber of Commerce Training & Enterprise Excellence in Exports Awards' dinner, held on Monday. May 20, 1996. Mr M. Brighton

was in the chair.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr H.L. Bory and Miss H.J. Wilson The engagement is announced between Henry Incledon, son of Mr and Mrs John Bury, of Braunion, Devon, and Harriet Jane, daughter of Vice Admiral Sir Barry and Lady Wilson, of Childe Okeford, Dorset.

Mr R.C. Feather and Miss A.L. O'Dwyer

The engagement is announced between Robbic, son of Mr and Mrs Duncan Feather, of Addingham, West Yorkshire, and Annabel, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs Sean O'Dwyer. of Chobham, Surrey.

Mr F.R. Gardner and Miss A.J. Pearson The engagement is announced between Francis Rolleston, son of Mr and Mrs Neil Gardner, of Hawkley. Hampshire, and Amanda Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Pearson, of Auckland,

Mr A.S. Gordon-Brown and Miss H.B. Maitland

New Zealand.

The engagement is announced between Andrew, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Brian Gordon-Brown, of Sandton, Johannesburg, South Africa, and Harriet, day and Mrs Robert Maitland, of

Hannington, Hampshire. Mr S. King and Miss C.G. Steele The engagement is announced between Stephen, second son of the Revd M.C. and Mrs J.B. King, of

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Cawston. Norfolk, and Clare, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G.C. Steele, of Sandhurst. Berkshire.

Mr J.C. Pike and Miss L.M. Fein

The engagement is announced between Julian Charles, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Pike, of Madeline, younger daughter of the late Mr L.G. Fein and of Mrs Brenda Fein, of Ockley, Surrey.

Meeting

Royal Over-Seas League Mr Bill Jamieson, Economics Edi-tor of *The Sunday Telegraph*, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Discussion Circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's. Miss Hazel Ellis presided.

Latest wills

Mr Peter Edward Cook, of London NW3, the comedian and satirist, left estate in the UK valued at £908_229 net.

E908.229 net.

By his will dated October 25, 1991, he left his Tiffany lamp to Dudley Moore, his shares in Private Eye equally between his wife Lin, and his sisters Sarah Seymour and Elizabeth Cook, his estate interest in Lechtenstein known as "Aspera" as to a third to his extwict Judy Cook, at third equality between his daughters Lucy and Daisy Cook, and a third to his sisters Sarah Seymour and Elizabeth Cook, his estate and interest in the property La Sort, Mayoral, Pollensa, Majorca, equally between his daughters Lucy and Daisy, and the residue of his estate to his wife Lin.

Mr Ronald Ormande Gordon Waterall, of London NW3, left

estate valued at £1,502,856 net.
He left £141,500 and some effects to personal legates, and the residue equally between the Actors' Charitable Trust, the Terence Higgins Trust and Cancer Research Campaign. Mr Harold Lawrence Smith, of Seisdon. Staffordshire, left estate

valued at £4,621,484 net. He left £2,500 to All Saints Church, Trysull, and £1.000 to the RNLI. Sir Hugh Worrell Springer, of St Peter, Barbados, former Gov-ernor-General of Barbados, left estate in England and Wales valued at £9.457.

Mr Peter Wright Brooks, of Ford, Buckinghamshire, aeronautical engineer and author, left estate valued at £622,761 net. Other estates include, net before

Mr Desmond Leonard Mawson, of Aston. South Yorkshire, late company director _____ £1,137,109. Mrs Margaret Constance Mele, of Norwich, Norfolk £1,186,647. Mr William Sholto Offeson, of Newcastle upon Tyne _ £1,249,872. Mr Philip Leon Pick, of Harpenden, Hertfordshire fl.887,730.

Mr Ivor Shaw, of Quarndon,

Cambridgeshire

The following have been elected Deputy Lieutenants for Cambridgeshire: Sir Terence English, Ladv Hemingford, Mr Jeremy Allen Newport, Mr Charles Edwin Walter Saunders, Sir Roger Tomkys and Mr Alan Gordon Turner.

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BIRTHS

ADLER - Marci and Staphe

James. Think you Mr Peni Armstrund
COLLE: - On Saturday 11th:
May 1996, to Rebecca (the Bird) and James, a son. Frederic James Shiby.
de SATSE - On 19th May, to Catherine (nee McAuley) and Jeveny, a dampher, Olivia Margaret Catherine. Margaret Camerine.

RACLIDES - On 11th May at
The Portland Hospitzi, to
Maria and Chris. a beautiful

and William.

GRANT-REMINICK - On May
16th at The Portland
Hospital, to Isabelle and
Smoon, a son, Feftz.

ARNCOCK - On May 15th at
The Portland Hospital, to
Jane (nee Lauront) and
Prank, a deuglider, Eliza. Frank, a decepher, Eliza.

HAWTHORNE ~ On April
23rd at The Royal Free
Hospital, Hampshad, to Julio
(née Harris) and Seth. a
daughter, Clivia Daccay.

HRLEERT ~ On 4th May in
Capctown. to Rona (née
Stmeson) and Marthew, a
daughter, Jenuna O'Claunis
St. Aubyn.

JACKSON ~ On May 7th in

JACKBON - On May 7th, to Sarah (née Adams) and Andrew, a daughter, Daisy Georgia.

YOUNG - On 14th May, to Alice and Jopathan, a BAIRD - May 18th 1996
peacehily at his home, PortA-Chapel, Greencastle, Co
Dobegal, Dr Thomas
Terence C.B. C.Sc.J.,
F.R.C.P.I., F.R.C.P. Ed.,
Dear Husband of Mary
Wisson (Rane), loving Safter
of Filem and Sheelagh and
beloved grandfather of
Andrew, Sarah, Carey,
Backy and Thomas, Funeral
took place to St. Findan's
Parish Church burying
ground, Greencastie on
Monday 20th May, If wished
doubtions in law of flowers
to The Foyle Hongies. 61
Culmore Road,
Londondarry, N. Ireland.
"Motoring on".

the end of May.

a daughter, Elizabeth Margaret, a sister for Flora and Emma. and Emma EARLON MILES - On 20th May, to Charlotte (née Pinney) and Edward, a impler. IDSDALE - On May 13th, to

Peter, a ganghler, Charlone Louise.

ROITH - On 15th April at the housted of St. John and St. Elizabeth. to Staphen and Ubby. B second son. Benjamin Toby.

SPHINGHAM - On May 14th at The Pertiand Houstful. Other and Every (Thornhill), two beautiful daughters.

Olivia Caroline and Louise Catherine.

THOMAS - On May 16th 1996, to Rachel and Richard, a son. George Vaughan. Sincere thanks to Heinel Hennestead Maternity Unit.

VINCENT - (nie Vivian) - To Paut and Louise, a daughter. Beatrice Mirtum Georgius en Thursday 5th May In Sydney, Australia.

WHISTLER - On May 9th, to

5th Earl of Rosebery, Prime Min-1894-95, Epsom, Kenneth Clark, Baron Clark, art historian, Kent. 1983. New Zealand was proclaimed a British colony, 1840. The Manchester Ship Canal opened, 1894. Charles Lindbergh arrived in Paris after flying from New York in 33½ hours, 1927.

Appointment Mr Julian Amey to be Director-General of the Hispanic and Luso Brazilian Council at Canning House in succession to Sir Michael Simpson-Orlebar who retires at



the Duke of Gloucester, as Frest-dent of the NABC Clubs for Young People, will open the new Wor-thing Boys' Club, Ivy Arch Road, Worthing, at 7.15. The Duke of Kent will attend the Royal Horticultural Society's an-Mary Robinson, President nual Chelsea Flower Show at the Royal Hospital Chelsea at 7.55.

Dr J.V. Armitage, Principal, College of St Hild and St Bede, Durham, 64: Lord Clydesmuir. KT. 79; Mr Malcolm Fraser, CH. former Australian Prime Minister. Mr David Hunt, MP, 54: Mr Will Hutton, Editor, The Observer 46; Mr Leonard Manasseh, architect, 80; Dr Leonard Mullins

rubber physicist, 78. Mr Dipak Nandy, founder-direc-Peskin, chairman, Great Portland Plowright, soprano, 47; Mr Harold de Rothschild, 87; Sir David Smith President, Wolfson College, Oxford, 66; Mr Tom Snow, former diplomat, 106; Mr R.R. Welch silversmith, 67; Mr Desmond Wilcox, broadcaster, 65; the Right Rev Mark Wood, former Bishop of Ludlow, 77; Mr James Wood-house, former Headmaster, Lanc-

ing College, 63.

School news

Haberdashers' Monmouth School for Girls Speech Day and The Presentation o∛ Prizes will be at 2pm on Thursday, May 23, 1996, the Guest Speaker being Mrs P.A. Penny, BA. Headmistress, Haberdashers Aske's School for Girls, Elstree (Past President of GSA). During the morning a photograph of Colonel W.R. Glover, CMG, DSO, will be unveiled in Glover House by his niece, Mrs D.A.H. Sime Shelley Hey has been appointed Head Girl for the coming year. Anna Woods as Deputies. Jenny Hollick is Captain of Boats. Sports

Day will be held on Monday, July I. and Term ends on July 4. Westminster School
The Twelfth Sir Adrian Boult Memorial Concert, at which Schubert's Winterreise was sung by Ian Bostridge (OW) accompanied by Julius Drake, took place up School yesterday. Following the Concert. The Head Master held a reception

in Ashburnham House.

Legal appointments Mr Justice Jowitt to be a Presiding Judge of the Midland and Oxford Circuit until December 31, 2000, in succession to Mr Justice Judge. Mr Justice Gage to be a Presiding Judge of the South Eastern Circuit from January I, 1997, until December 31, 2000, in succession to Mr

Justice Blofeld. Mr Justice Hooper to be a Presiding Judge of the North Eastern Circuit from January 1, 1997, until to Mr Justice Holland.

December 31, 2000, in succession Mr Justice Butterfield to be a Presiding Judge of the Western Circuit from January 1, 1997, until December 31, 2000, in succession

Gala evening

London String Quartet

The Duke of Gloucester attended a Gala Evening, arranged by the London String Quartet Founda-tion, at the Mansion House last night to mark Lord Menuhin's 80th Birthday. He was received by the Lord Mayor and Mr Richard Sotnick, Chairman of the Foundation. Princess Irene of Greece (Hon Patron) was present.

A Champagne Reception and Dinner was held in the Egyptian Hall followed by a concert given by the Endellion and Vanbrugh String Quartets, previous prize winners of the London International String Quartet Com-petition, of which Lord Menuhin. OM, is the Artistic Director. Those present were:

present were
Lord Menuhin, OM, and Lady
Menuhin, Mr Stuart Devlin (President of the Foundation). Professor
Yfrah Neaman (Joint Artistic
Director). Lord Taylor of Gosforth.
Mr John Wybrew (Executive
Director of British Gas, the major
sponsor of the Competition) and sponsor of the Competition) and members of the Board of Management.
The Foundation is a registered Charity whose mission is to promote the art of string quartet playing and has a duty to encourage this special musical discipline in schools.

Memorial service

Sir Neil Lawson sented by Major C.O.P. Hanbury at a memorial service for Sir Neil Lawson, former High Court Judge, held yesterday at the Tem-ple Church.

Canon Joseph Robinson, Master of the Temple, officiated. Mr Edward Nugee, QC. Treasurer of the Inner Temple, and Mr Robert Lawson, grandson, read the lessons. Lord Campbell of Alloway, QC, gave an address.

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Royal Over-Seas League The High Commissioner for Kenya and Mrs Ngali were the guests of honour at a luncheon of the Royal Over-Seas League held yesterday at Over-Seas House. St James's. Sir Geoffrey Ellerton, chairman, and members of the

Lady Gibbs at the Bear Hotel, Devizes.

shire Mrs May Dorothy White, of Enfield, Middlesex £1,081,593.

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ear not, you beggs in his field; for the open pastures will be green, the trees will bear fruit, the fig and the vine yelld their barvest. Joel 2 : 22 (REB),

14th May 1996. 30(4EH - On May 18th at The Portland Hospital, to Elaine tole Jemop) and Stanley, a besutiful daughter, Nichole Elise, a status for Natalie and James. Thirak you Mr. Paul

Meria and Caris. a beautifur sop. Alexi. a brother for Raphael and George. 25568 - On May 17th at The Portland Hospitzi, to Sharon (pie Maley) and Nicholan. a beguittel daughter, isabella

Rose.

GARMER - On 18th May, in
Winchester, to Katy (née
Slatter) and Peter, a
daughter, Harriet Margaret
Catherine, a sister for Seth
and William.

MAYNARD - On May 9th, to Mark and Lucy, a daughter, Freya. MANGARTER - On May 16th Freya.

McWHIRTER - On May 16th,

to James and Miranda, a
daugher, Marina.

RELMES - On 17th May, to

John and Flona (néc Naider).

BAYLY - Bunty (née Craw). beloved wife of Peter, mother of Peter, Theodorn and Disma, grandmother of Ben, Clylle, Harriet, Peter, William and Lydla, The

William and Lydia. The funeral will be at St. Peter's Church. Winchcombe. Cheltesham 12 noon Friday 24th May. Family flowers only. Donations would be welcomed for the Marie Carte Cancer Care eent c/o Meson & Stokes, 54 Hewisti Road. Cheltesham. BLACK - Ruth Frances (nie Kison) on May 10th aged 78. A Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance will be held on Wednesday 29th May at 3 pm at 8t Mary Magdalone's. Medehurst.

BOND - On 17th May 1996 at the Old Vicarese Nursing Home. Moulsford. Wallingford. Oxon. Helen Martorie aged 91 (formerly of 41 Eresty House, Rathand Cate. London SW7). Much loved daughter of the late Alice Bond, sister of Maurice and aunt of Virginia and Peter. Cressation private. BURB - On 19th May 1996 peacefully, George Bunnfield, Much leved by all the family. Huntral Service at Maryanet Marsh Church, near Marnhull. Dorset, on Wednesday 29th May at 2.15 pm. followed by private cremation. Donations for The British Red Cross may be sent to Bracher Brothers F/D, Gellingham, Danset 678 4QL, bet 6017477 822494.

on May 19th, Gwyneth, Lady Carden (ple Acisno), widow of Sir Henry Carden, Bart, and Derick Emerson, much loved mother of Tomy and adored grandmother of Mark. Edward and William. Cremation service private, A Thanksgiving Service to be announced later.

CARTER-CAMPRELL. - On 14th May 1995 at Nithbank Hospital, Dandries, Margaret (Pessy) Carter-Campbell, much loved wife of the late Lt. Cel. Duncan Mariechan Carter-Campbell, or Possil. O.S.E. and a loved mother, interred at Irongray Churchysed on Manday 20th May 1996.

of Ireland, is 52 today

Birthdays today

tor, Runnymead Trust, 60; Mr Andrew Neil, former Editor, The Sunday Times, 47; Mr R.M. Estates, 52: Miss Rosalind Robbins, novelist, 80; Mr Nicolas Rogerson, chief executive, Dewe Rogerson Group, 53; Baron Guy

DEATHS

to Mr Justice Mantell.

DEATHS

COHER - Harry C. On 16th May 1996, peacefully in his 90th year. Deeply mouvaed by his wife Sadle, daughter Margaret, son Richard, son-in-law, daughter-la-law, sister. brothers, gratacchildren and frients. CUTHEERTSON - Jankryd Ellanbeth (née Ogram) pencebuky at home on 18th May, beloved mother of Fay and the late 20e, and very desy stater of Jacqueline and Simon. Funeral at Mid-Waywickshire Cremsforium, Oakley Wood. Bishops Tacsbrook. Warks. today, Tuesday 21st May at 3.50pm. Family flowers only, donations to Imperial Cancer Research. Enquiries to R. Loche & Sons. Brailes,

to R. Locke & Sons. Bra Ozon. (01608) 685274. DARBYSHIRE - Winitred
Am on 19th May 1996 at
Benhridge, Isle of Wight,
Widow of Wing Communder
Rupert Stanley Darbyshire
and beloved mother of John
and David, Funeral at Hoty
Trialty Church, Benhridge,
on Friday 24th May at 12
2006.

DELISLE - Mildred Mary (Mindie) on 18th May in her 90th year peacefully at a Winshiedon nursing home. Much level widow of the late Endle of St Kills. West Index, and mother of Peter and the late Barbera Lea. grandmother and great-grandmother. Fulleral enquiries to Samders and Sons. (0181) 876-5255. gosling Charles

GOSLING - Charles, peacefully on May 18th, much loved brother of Maureen and uncle of Michael and Vanessa. Private cremation, Sevice of Tounisgiving in St Andrews Church. Hingham on May 24th at 3 pm. No Rowers, but douations if desired to Cancer Research Campaign or to Hingham Church Heritage Fund, c/o Peter Taylor's, 85 Unithank Road. Norwich. HALL - Mary Winifred, formerly Bowerbank, died peacefully Royal United Hospital, Bath, 16th May, Much loved wife of Hedlay and mother of Christopher and Francis.

PERSONAL COLUMN

HARVEY - Edward Michael.
Captain Royal Navy. died
pescelusy at home Friday
17th May. Private
cremation. followed by
Thankagiving Service. to
which all friends welcome. at
Langham Parish Church.
Holl. Norfolk at 3.30 pm on
Friday 24th May. HEALD DONNELLY - Care

HEALD DOMINELLY - Carel Jean aged 36 on May 19th. dearly loved wife of Martin. mother of Anne. Francesca and Rosemany and daughter of Tom and Jean. Requiem Mass at Sacred Heart Church. Edge Hill, Wimbledon. 10 am Saturday May 26th. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to Save the Children Fund, 17 Grove Lane. SE5. HELL - Denys on May 16th aged 84. Daughter of late E.H. Gunter-Jones of Ledbury. Much loved by daughter Gillen, son-in-law Visident and granddaughter Rachel. Funeral Mortiske Crematorium 10.30 am Friday May 24th. Familty only. All experies to J.H. Kenyon. bel: 60171 937-

Kenyon, tel: (0171) 937 0767. HYLTON - On 17th May 1996, at Shepton Mallet Hospital Perdita Rose Mary, widow of William, Lord Hylton, Funeral at Kinnersdon Parish Church, near Baffi, on Thursday 23rd May at 3 pts. R.I.P.

ENKINS - Glyn Thoma Alm pescefully at home o

Aim pecceptuly at home on Saturday May 18th 1996 aged 66. Funeral Service at Golders Green Crematorium on Friendy 24th May 1996 at 4 pm. Family flowers culy. LEROX - May Ellen (Heien) aged 86. Persed peacrifully away in her sines on 18th May 1996. Much loved by daughter Maggie and grandchildren Mia and biranda as well as theces and her way many friends. Funeral Service at the Kent and Statett Crematorium. Tunbridge Wells, on May 28th at 12.30 pm. Donasions. If dastred, to the Red Cross. (c) E.R. Hickmost & Sun. 41 Grove Hill Road. Tunbridge Wells. bet: (01892) 522462.

DEATHS

LOSS - On May 17th 1996 at home in New York, Frances Leinnan Look Geterl, greatly loved wife of John Langloth Look for 69 years, nother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Methodial Service at Temple Emmanuel, 6th Avenue and 65th Street New York at 11am on Thursday 30th May 1996.

MACKINTOSH - Dr. Ian peacefully aged 90, widower of Daphne, both formerly of Kunia Lumpur, Much loved father, grandfather and greet-grandfather, Private burisi in Scotland. Enquiries to James McKenzie Funcral Director. Kimberley. Evanton, Dingwall, hyerness-eithe, bt. (01349) 363159.

MICHELSER - On May 17th beacafully at home, Eric peacefully at home, Eric Goth in his 97th year, formaty of Coblam, Surrey, dear father and stephather of John, Susan and Ann, devoted grandfather and great-grandfather. Puneral at Guildford Crematorium 11.30 am Friday May 24th. Family flowers only.

MOULE - On 17th May 1996, G.W.H. Moule. Priest, Schoolmaster and Naturalist, aged 92 years. Funeral at St. Bees Priory on Thursday 23rd May at 11 am followed by cressition. ROBERTSON - On May 18th, Margaret, Much loved mother of Alasteir and PARFITT - Peacefully at home on Friday 17th May Ronald Henry aged 73 years, daring husband of Parky, beloved father of Jane. beloved father of Jane, Christopher, Amanda and Timothy and adored grandfather. Thanksgiving Service to be held on Friday 24th May 12 noon at St Paul's Church. Letchworth. No Howers by request. Donations if desired for Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital c/o E.H. Crouch, 52 Station Road. Letchworth, lei: (01462) 682862.

DEATHS

Barbara, Alasdali and Sufficient, dear mother-in-law to Mandy and Markon, devoted grammy to Rachel. Alton, Christina, Jack and Gregor and a much respected friend to many within friend to many within inverporden and beyond. Funeral Service will be held on Friday 24th May in havesporden Parish Church at 2 pm thereafter to Klimnir Easter Computer. All friends respectfully invited. Donations, if desired, for invergorden Community Association may be given at the church door or sent to Alasdair Rhind. Funeral Director. Knockbreck

peacefully on May 15th 1990 at Oak Lodge, Duston Northampton, Funera at the Louge, Buston, Northampton, Funeral Service will take place at SI Augustine's Church. Caldecole, on Thursday May 23rd at 12 noon followed by cremation at the Counter May 12 noon followed by Cremation at the Counter May 12 noon followed by Cremation at the Counter May 12 noon followed by Cremation at the Counter May 12 noon followed by Cremation at the Counter May 12 noon followed by Cremation at the Counter May 12 noon followed by Crematical May 12 noon follow cremation at the Counter Crematorium, Milton Maisor, Flowers and enquiries to John White Towcester, tel: (01327)

tel: (01442 RODERICK - Jock Allan Buckley Roderick, aged 77, on May 18th, peacefully after a short times. Dearly loved father of Donnesus and Haw, proud grandfather of Rupert and Nicola, and dearest friend of Sue. Thanksgiving Service at Hoty Trinity, Bankridge on Tuesday May 28th at 2.30pm. DEATHS

RHIND - Very suddenly, while travelling to Essex, on Saburday 18th May 1996, isobel Chrissie Drake of Invesporden (Councillor for Invesporden (Councillor for Invesporden for 32 years), beloved wife of the late John Rhind. a much adored and loved mother to Isobel, Barhara, Alasdair and

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SINCLAIR - Jack Sinclair
OB.E. on 17th May, H.M.
Diplomatic Service (retd.).
Royal Signah (1953-45), A
generous and heroic man.
Funeral at 2.30 pm. 28th
May, St Mary's. Bentlay.
Hampshire. Flowers to Kerap
& Stevens (01420) 83177. SOUTHERN - On May 18th at bome in Winchester David aged 48, beloved husband of Valerie and dear father of Claire, Fimeral Service at Chest Chapel) on Thursday May 23rd at 3.30 pm. Flowers to Joo. Steel & Son. Chest House, Windhester.

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DEATHS SCIFLY - Sylvia Petnela Jean (née Cautley) aged 77. Peacefully on May 17th 1996. In Portimo, Portugal, after a sudden filmes. Much loved and devoted wife, mother and grassimother. Funeral Service at All Saints Church. Funeral Service at All Saints
Church. Besthorpe,
Allieborough, Novicik. on
Tuesday June 4th at 2 pm.
Flowars. or preferably
donations for Besthorpe
Church may be seat to R.J.
Bartram & Son Funeral
Directors, Wymondham,
Norfolk. Newport, Gwest on Fri 24th May at 1.40 Flowers may be sen Stockwells. Fun-

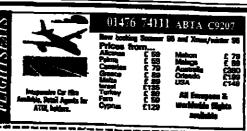
SHEA - Tim on 17th May in Grand Cayman after an iliness borne with great courage and fortitude. Beloved son of Ethme and the late Patrick Shea O.B.E., devoted son of Arnold Netta. Funeral to take today May 21st at Will Cemetery. Beaconsfiel Road. NW10 at 12 noon. MEMORIAL SERVICES lanatins GMBER - Nicholas. A picnic and Service at Old Romney Church. Ashford 12.30 pm 16th June.

FLIGHTS DIRECTORY SHERRIFTS - The Reveren Dr. Robert James Alexande Dr. Robert James Alexander.
Pencefully on 16th May
1996 in Courney, Channel
Islands. aged 92 years. Very
dear Imsband of Kathieen.
Dearly loved father of
Deryck and father-th-law of
Del. Treasured grandfather
of Rachael and Paul. Pumeral
service in Guerrasey on
Tuesday 21st May 1996.
Any enquiries to Beckfords
Fameral Services Lid. Tel-Any enquiries to Becatords Funeral Services Ltd., Tel

SINCLAIR - Jack Sinclair

THANKSGIVING TANNER - On 18th May at home in Monmouth. Frederick Newman Tanner aged 95 years. Beloved husband of the late Jean OCKING - A Service of Themicalving for the life of Dr. F.D.M. Hocking will be held at Charlestown Parish Church. Cornwall on Sunday June 9th 12 2 7

BIRTHDAYS Directors, 16. Gl Street, Monmouth. WEINSTOCK - The Hon.
Simon aged 44 peacefully at home on May 18th 1996. Beloved husband of Laura, adored father of Pamela. Cella and Laetitia and devoted son of Arnold and Netis. Funeral to take place. FLATSHARE FLATMATES London's foremost Est 1970) Professional flat sharing service, 0171-589 5491

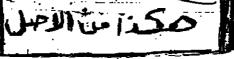


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OBITUARIES

Jon Pertwee, actor, died yesterday aged 76. He was born on July 7, 1919.

JON PERTWEE was the third actor to play the title role in Dr Who for television. He took over from Patrick Troughton in the seventh season of the series in 1970, and remained with it for five years, before cosmetically "regenerating", before the eyes of horrified children, into a new Doctor played by Tom Baker.

Pertwee's five-year stint as the Doctor encompassed some radical changes to the BBC children's programme. Instead of the Tardis (an acronym for Time and Relative Di-mensions in Spacel, Unit HQ became the Doctor's new base of operations, and a team of Unit personnel, led by Brigadier Lethbridge-Stewart, joined the Doctor's regular team of daring female companions. Despite the new family, the onus for making the programme work rested as firmly as ever on the shoulders of the Doctor. Pertwee took a risk on playing him as a camp, charismatic scientist, respendently dressed for time travel in a velvet smoking jacket, ruffled shirt and red satin lined cape.

Although Pertwee was quick to acknowledge the blessing which Dr Who and later TV's Worzel Gummidge had bestowed upon his career, he had mixed feelings about being forever manacled, in the public imagination, to children's television. He had also done excellent work in radio, theatre, vaudeville, cabaret. He had appeared in 120 films and was doing an energetic one-man show in his mid-seventies. But, while he had enjoyed a comfortable, profitable career, and was rarely out of work, there was also something rather chaotic about his curriculum vitae. It lacked the sort of singleminded focus which propels less talented individuals to greater heights.

John Devpn Roland Pertwee was born into a family so closely linked with the stage that a career in anything but showbusiness would have been considered eccentric. Four doughty great aunts - the Moore sisters were actresses. His father Roland was a playwright and a novelist, and had been a friend of Gerald du Maurier. the author of Trilby. Pertwee had served tea to Laurence Olivier by the time he was in his teens. But the inevitability of his career, he felt later on, may have told against him: "Because it was the family business I never had to struggle to join it — I took it for granted, which is maybe why I've never taken it seriously enough."

Pertwee was educated at Sherborne and then joined RADA. During the 1930s he went through the traditional learning school of repertory theatre, interspersed with odd jobs. On comname for himself with his chameleon-, one assessment in 1948. Someone else

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JON PERTWEE



like ability to hop from one accent and dialect to another at great speed. During the war he served in the

RNVR as an officer. He was appointed to HMS Hood from which he was extremely fortunate to be returned to shore, along with 16 others, shortly before that vessel was sunk by the Bismarck — going down in nine seconds. He ended his service career with the broadcasting section of the Navy, where he met Eric Barker. This led, after the war, to work on Barker's Waterlogged Spa and for The Navy Lark, where Pertwee played an enormous range of characters: Commander High-Price, Robin Fly, the Bugler from Plymouth Barracks, and Dai, the Welsh storyteller, among others. He played Mr Burp for Jimmy Jewel and Ben Warriss in Up. the Pole. He enjoyed the camaraderie of working in the sort of small group which radio

Those in the business were beginning to take notice of Pertwee, although they were not quite sure what to make of him at first - "potentially noted that he looked rather too like Danny Kaye for his own good, and that this may be why he hid himself "under a mass of crepe hair". The general consensus was that he should concentrate on one form of acting:

radio, variety or film, but Pertwee gaily

ignored this. He began his film career

in the late 1930s, and continued

through the 1950s juggling television, radio work and summer shows. He took small parts in a host of Carry On In the early 1960s he had a particular success at the Strand Theatre in A Funny thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, playing with Frankie Howerd. He had landed a part in the show almost by accident. When auditions were announced, Pertwee was touring in a revue called See You

Inside (an unfortunate title as very few people were ever seen inside the theatre during a performance). Having made an excuse about a dental appointment, he raced to the auditions in London, only to find that half the cast of See You Inside had had the when he arrived.

In 1969 came the decisive moment when Pertwee was asked to take over as Dr Who. The longest-running children's drama had begun life in November 1963. The first episode was about a young girl whose curiously first-hand understanding of history astonished her teachers at school. They follow her into what appears to be an ordinary police telephone box (in fact the Tardis), and there meet her eccentric grandfather, Dr Who, who is in fact a time traveller. Dr Who was played first by William Hartnell, and then by Patrick Troughton, both with great success. However, in a survey of Doctors past and present over the past three decades, the Pertwee and Tom Baker interpretations are considered

by many to be the finest. Pertwee's five seasons with the show introduced such new story lines and characters as the Master - a renegade Time Lord, the dramatic equivalent of Bond's Blofeld, who remained with the show after Pertwee left it. Other strong episodes included encounters with Solonian mutants, and, of course, the

Pertwee left the show at the end of the eleventh season, keen to get back to the excitement of live performance. He spent a few years in the West End with musicals like Irene. Then in 1979 he returned to the small screen, this time with Southern Television, in a Sunday evening children's programme written by Keith Waterhouse and Willis Hall. Worzel Gummidge, about a tenderhearted, walking, talking scarecrow, had started life as a children's book in the 1930s and then enjoyed a great success on Children's Hour on the radio. Pertwee played the title role in four successive television seasons, and won impressive viewing figures from an army of five-year-olds. However, while the show certainly consolidated his appeal with very young children, it could never hope to have the same sort of mass appeal as his role as Dr Who.

In the end, Pertwee was philosophical about having becoming a national institution as the Doctor. He recently did a radio series for the BBC, The Ghost in Space, for which he once more brushed down his old black cape, and he spoke to many conventions of fans. For the last two years he toured Britain with his one-man show. Who is Jon Pertwee?, a biographical overview of his career which drew heavily on the experience of playing the Doctor.

He was determined to carry on working and appeared as fit and enthusiastic as ever, even under the rigours of the Christmas pantomime season. There was no illness, and his death came unexpectedly, while he was on holiday in America.

Jon Pertwee married the actress Jean Marsh in 1955. That marriage ended in divorce. He is survived by his second son and daughter.

SIMON WEINSTOCK

Simon Weinstock, a director of GEC since 1987, died from cancer on May 18 aged 44. He was born on February 24, 1952

MOST of the things Simon Weinstock did in his life he did with his father, Lord Weinstock, the managing director of General Electric Company. Both were keen music lovers and operagoers, and they shared a passion for horse racing, together owning and breeding a string of first-

They also increasingly cooperated in their professional lives. After a spell as a merchant banker, Weinstock followed his father, in 1983, to GEC where he later became a director.

It was on the racecourse that Weinstock was happiest and gained the most success in his oint ventures with his father. The pair were involved in racing for more than twenty years and shared the horses which ran under the Weinstock name. Their latest success came when Election Day was the first to cross the line in the Aston Park Stakes at Newbury last Saturday.

Simon Andrew Weinstock's interest in horses, inspired by his father, was already evident during his schooldays at Winchester College. At Winchester, not known for its links to horse racing, he stood out as one of the few pupils with a real understanding of horses. Soon he came to the attention of the one or two older boys who shared his interest and, among these, formed a lifelong friendship with Lord Huntingdon.

Huntingdon went on to train for the Weinstocks when he took over the reins at West Isley seven years ago. His father was always happy to leave his racing interests in his son's hands," Huntingdon recalled, "and Simon obviously made a very good job of it." But, despite all their domestic success, it was a long-held ambition of the family to win the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. They had a series of nearmisses there and were placed with four of their horses. Weinstock read Classics at

Magdalen College, Oxford, after which he went to work with S.G. Warburg as an working at Warburg's he ad- beginning of this season, split daughters.



vised the Government on the rescheduling of debt and later in investment matters, and held a number of management positions. He joined GEC, one of Britain's largest industrial companies, in 1983, and by 1987 had been made commercial director.

Weinstock never tried to conceal the fact that his father's dominating position in the company had been very much to his advantage. Rather than waiting for gossip to be spread, he confronted the issue head-on: "If my father was not here I would not be here. I have to be quite open about that." By his own admission he had no obvious qualifications to oversee the acquisitions and the defence sides of the company.

Yet he had something infinitely more valuable to the company, namely his father's confidence. His strong bond with his father was no secret. and fellow executives knew that the chairman would always consult his son. Soon after joining, Weinstock was thrown into the role of messenger and mediator. He was repeatedly asked to intervene in disputes which involved his father, a more daunting figure than himself. Weinstock may have been the only GEC employee not to feel intimidated and threatened by the managing director.

Through their shared hobbies Weinstock got to know exactly what his father wanted. Jointly they owned 37

between eight trainers in Britain and France - the former including Nash House, a leading fancy for next month's Vodafone Derby. Weinstock also had a share in last year's Irish 2,000 Guineas and Champion Stakes winner. Spectrum.

The pride and joy of the family was the dual Derby and King George winner Troy, trained by Major Dick Hern, although the filly Sun Princess completed the Oaks-St Leger double in the family's famous colours

In 1980 Weinstock also had his own colours carried to victory when he bought Ela-Mana-Mou, and witnessed the horse's successes in the Eclipse and King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes. Weinstock was considered an expert on breeding and form and gained a large amount of influence about the placing of the family horses. Although he was a quiet man who did not like to show emotions at work, he was jubilant whenever his horses won.

Weinstock's passion for opera was so strong that he would plan his family holidays specifically to be near the great European opera houses. He often visited the Salzburg festival and La Scala, Milan, with his father.

In his character he was almost a reverse mirror image of his father. He was shy and softly spoken: some thought his shyness was not helped by working for his extrovert father. The longer he was at GEC, however, the more confident he became and, as his responsibilities grew, he was thought of less and less as the chairman's son.

All that changed again when GEC started to look for a new chairman last year. Weinstock had never denied that he would like to follow in his father's footsteps, and his father evidently felt the same as he announced his plans for retirement. But influential voices in the City warned against what they termed "running companies along dynastic lines". After some delay George Simpson, chief executive of Lucas Industries, was appointed.

In 1979 Weinstock married Laura Legh, whose late father Sir Francis was Princess Margaret's treasurer. She survives as do their three

GEORGE MALCOLM THOMSON

George Malcolm Thomson, OBE, author, aide to Lord Beaverbrook and later chief leader writer for the Daily Express, died yesterday aged 96. He was born on August 2, 1899.

OF ALL the first Lord Beaverbrook's well-sung roll of backroom boys", the chief and most esteemed - was George Malcolm Thomson. who came south to join the Beaverbrook entourage in

Thomson, quiet, shrewd, erudite, politically astute and

gifted with an acute sense of humour, served Beaverbrook for 33 years with dedication and skill. Under a deceptively unassuming exterior he main tained an unshakeable selfreliance and, during Beaverbrook's greatest days as Minister of Aircraft Production (from May 1940 to May 1941), wielded a unique influence over his mercurial master - whom he regarded with a quizzical, but never uncriti-

He was, indeed, one of the comparatively few of the Beaverbrook courtiers who rarely held back from warning him

cal, affection.

off impulsive decisions when they were obviously unwise. Because Beaverbrook held him in such regard, more often than not he would, under loud protest, accept Thomson's persuasively-put advice. George Malcolm Thomson,

a Scot through and through, was born in Leith, the eldest son of Charles Thomson and his wife Mary (née Eason). He was educated at Daniel Stewart's College, Edinburgh, whence he went on to Edinburgh University before beginning his journalistic career on various Edinburgh news-papers. In 1927 he published

his first book, Caledonia or the Future of the Scots, followed by A Short History of Scotland. Both books were acclaimed in Scotland and earned the lively interest of Lord Beaverbrook

As a result Percy Cudlipp. then in high favour on Beaverbrook's Evening Standard, was told in 1931 to invite Thomson to come to London. Once there, he was installed in the Evening Standard offices in Shoe Lane and quickly began to make his mark. Contributing to "The London-er's Diary" in the Evening Standard and short, pithy

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pieces for the "Cross-Bencher" column in the Sunday Express. he assimilated the staccato Beaverbrook style and was switched to specialise for Beaverbrook on economic policy and political affairs, drafting many of Beaverbrook's own articles as a pliable "ghost". When on May 14, 1940,

Churchill appointed Beaverbrook to be the first Minister of Aircraft Production, with his office first at Stornoway House, St James's, before moving to Millbank, Thomson went with him as his principal private secretary and confidant: the most trusted of his small personal staff, alongside his personal secre-tary David Farrer and his butler Albert Nockols.

Thomson was thus at Beaverbrook's elbow throughout the whirlwind year at the Ministry of Aircraft Production and moved with him, in June 1941, to the Ministry of Supply at Shell Mex House in the Strand. Later in 1941 he accompanied Beaverbrook on his mission to Stalin in Moscow, of which his personal account, among the Beaverbrook papers, is not only absorbing but also high enter tainment. In February 1942 Thomson was with Beaverbrook during his brief time in the offices of the War Cabinet

as Minister of Production. Between March and October 1942, Thomson returned to the glass and chrome building of the Daily Express in Fleet Street while spending much

time with Lord Beaverbrook, out of office, at Arlington Street, Brook Street and at his country retreat, Cherkley, near Leatherhead. During this time he collaborated with David Farrer, later a publisher, in a highly original, inside account of the days at the Ministry of Aircraft Production - published in 1943 as The Sky's The Limit. Shortly thereafter he accompanied Beaverbrook with Churchill to

Washington on board the

Queen Mary. In October 1943 Thomson was back with Beaverbrook at Gwydyr House in Whitehall when Beaverbrook returned to office in the War Cabinet as Lord Privy Seal, charged with preparations for postwar air transport. The new minister was particularly concerned with the deliberations of the Brabazon committee on future British civil transport aircraft and with negotiations with the State Department in Washington for an international air transport conference, eventually held in Chicago in November and December 1944.

Thomson was in the thick of this as Beaverbrook's principal secretary on all but aviation affairs, these latter being delegated to Peter Masefield, brought in from liaison work between the RAF and the United States 8th Air Force. There were further visits to Washington and intensive negotiations which led to the Chicago conference and, even-tually, to the Anglo-American



After the 1945 general election, Thomson was back in Fleet Street, now as chief leader writer for the Daily Express, under first Arthur Christiansen and then Edward Pickering, and as chief book reviewer for the Evening Standard, then under Herbert Gunn — but always close personally to Beaverbrook.

Bermuda Agreement of 1946.

During his many years with the Daily Express, Thomson was particularly close to the paper's pocket cartoonist, Osbert Lancaster. Every evening at around 5pm Lancaster would arrive at "the black Lubyanka" in Fleet Street, go straight to Thomson's office,

gossip for about half-an-hour and then produce his frontpage pocket cartoon (of which Thomson had normally been the catalyst). They were the closest of friends, frequently meeting at the Garrick Club, of which they were both highly popular members. Thomson continued to serve the Beaverbrook organisation

as one of its elder statesmen until his retirement in 1970. He was held in high esteem by Lord Beaverbrook right up to the time of the latter's death in 1964. During this time not only did Thomson spend many days with "the Lord" at Cherkley in Surrey but also at his villa, La Capponcina, at Cap d'Ail in the South of France where, as he described it, he was treated to "highly individual surveys of the pageant of British political history from 1911 to 1945".

Through all this time Thomson wrote some 20 books, most of them well-researched blographies and political commentaries. They included notably The Crime of Mary Stuart (1967). The First Churchill, John Duke of Marlborough (1979) and The Prime Ministers (1980). He was appointed OBE in 1990.

George Malcolm Thomson was married twice: in 1926 to Else Elleisen of Toensberg, Norway, who died in 1957, and then in 1963 to Diana Van Cortlandt Robertson. She survives him, along with the son and daughter of his first

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HARD STRUGGLE FOR MR. PICKLES FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT If it is indeed a dull, apartetic election few

BROADCAST

ries would be likely to apply either epithet to last night's Labour Parry election round-up on relevision. There was no lack of punch in the arguments of Mr. Herbert Morrison or Mr. Hugh Gaitskell and least of all in the full-blooded eloquence of Mr. James Callaghan, who issued a direct challenge to the Prime Mini

The presence of Lady Megan Lloyd George, even if she did not get in all she evidently wanted to say, gave more than a touch of sparkle to the proceedings. They all had a great deal to say, Sometimes they trod on each other's cues, though not on each other's toes. Poor Mr. William Pickles had a hard struggle to get in all his questions and sometimes had to stem the flow of eloquence.

sometimes had to seem the now of eloquence.

His job was to confront the politicians with what, according to the Press, was in people's minds and more interesting still to get answers to Conservative propaganda. But he got only a short way down his pile of papers. Mr. Herbert Morrison, in a near bow tie and dark suit, brought blokby engaged. a highly serious statesmanlike touch to the proceedings and was particularly direct on the problem of strikes. Mr. Callaghan was positively explosive in his denunciations of the "Tories". On sions, for instance, he denounced them as a

ON THIS DAY

May 21, 1955

It sounds as though there was not a dull moment in this Labour Party television election broadcast. Mr Callaghan was clearly in a pugnacious mood.

"mean skinflint lot" and said it was time they were turned out.

The liveliest episode in the proceedings was Mr. Callaghan's challenged to the Prime Minister. It arose out of a quotation by Mr. Pickles of Mr. Maudling's argument that controls could not be used without rationing. With a thunderous look at the camera, directed point-blank at Sir Anthony Eden, he called on him as an honourable man to repudiate in his television broadcast tonight a poster on the subject put out by the "slick young gentlemen" in the Conservative Central

Mr. Callaghan's pugnacity was balanced by Mr. Gaitskell's smooth, smiling ridicule of Conservative facts and figures. Time was running

out and Mr. Pickles a little breathlessly asked a pertinent question about Conservative estimates of the cost of putting Labour's social service programme into effect. We had a swift glimpse of Mr. Morrison rubbing his hands as Mr. Gaitskell dealt with that one. He accused the Conservatives jauntily of having thought of a number and then multiplied it by 40. He admitted freely that some items would cost money, for instance the speed up of the repayment of post-war credits and such items as education and National Assistance

With his eye on the clock Mr. Pickles swiftly asked if the Labour Party did not expect to put up any taxes. Mr. Gaitskell saw no reason why they should put up taxes and hoped there would be some margin to enable them to reduce taxes on lower incomes.

Once or twice Lady Megan in the flood of oratory had little luck with her attempts to chip in, ough she contributed some lively asides. She was permitted to dot the Is and cross the Ts of Mr. Morrison on public ownership and she seemed full of admiration for her friend Herbert's summing up. Mr. Pickles had to come down heavily on the others in order that Mr. Morrison should have his chance to put this over. His theme was that John Bull, the British people's government and Parliament must have a big voice in the use to be made of the nation's capital assets. His last word was a claim for his party's superior capacity to handle the problems of peace, disarmament and "this beastly bomb".

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Enterprise **UK** boost for ethnic companies

By BRIAN COLLETT

AN EXHIBITION of ethnic businesses and their products is now likely to be an annual event in

The Enterprise UK 96 exhibition at the Barbican Centre, London, this month was Europe's largest gather-ing of Asian and African Caribbean businesses under one roof. Deborah Marsh, one of the organisers, said the event was so well received that plans for Enterprise UK '97 are already in progress.

The main aim of the exhibition, besides displaying ethnic businesses to potential customers, is to emphasise that they are not all hair salons, bakeries, corner shops and Indian restaurants. For example, the exhibitors included engineering and information technology companies.

The exhibition resulted directly from last year's Race for Opportunity Campaign, in which leading British companies committed themselves to using ethnic suppliers and employing more people from ethnic minorities. It gained impetus from Netscope Marketing, a company that promotes trade with African countries.

Ms Marsh said: "Our exhibition attracted some people who came out of curiosity, but most people were there to do business and to network. The general feeling was a hopeful one. I spoke to people who said they had transacted more business there than they had done for the whole year.

Seminars were hosted by Barba-ra Roche, Labour's small business spokesman, Bernie Grant, Labour MP for Tottenham, and an Inland

Ann Vanderpuye-Williams, of Netscope Marketing, said: "I think it is important to highlight the achievements of ethnic businesses that are contributing to the diversity of Britain's culture. I also think it is important for ethnic businesses to network and show off their wares." ☐ More than 60 small businesses set up with help from The Prince's Youth Business Trust will take part in a Meet The Buyer day at Old Trafford cricket ground, Manchester, on June
4. Instead of the suppliers taking stands as they do at an exhibition, the buyers from large companies and organisations will set up an office where the small businesses can present their services.

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Student finds fulfilment in grave responsibility

Rodney Hobson meets a young man in

the running for Livewire of the year

THOUSANDS of young people have competed for the annual Livewire awards, but few have come up with an idea as unusual as Timothy Maltin's business. He tends other people's graves.

His service is so popular he now employs a network of gardeners to provide a nationwide service.

Mr Maltin, 23, has already won the South West area final of Livewire and today he hopes to beat ten other finalists in the national awards for the title of young entrepreneur of the year. The awards are supported by Shell and the winner and two runners-up will share £7,000. Apart from a good business idea, all the finalists had to demonstrate a sound understanding of the importance of thorough preparation

and good business planning.

Mr Maltin got his idea from his personal circumstances. He says:
"My family lives in Mariborough
in Wiltshire, but our family grave
at Maidenbead in Posteria." is at Maidenhead in Berkshire. I realised that there must be a lot of people in the same position."

Although he was taking a degree in English at Newcastle University, he felt he was unlikely to get a job for which he was qualified. "I decided I wanted to work for myself. I had been a keen gardener from an early age so wielding a pair of shears was not alien to me."

Pilgrim Services was established ten months ago with help from the local training and enterprise coun-cil. Initially, he charged a fee plus mileage to tidy plots and clean the masonry twice a year. I was travelling 250 miles a day looking after 150 graves as far away as the Lake District and Norwich. I spent a week in the office then a week on

Now he has 83 agents, mainly keen gardeners, to do the work and charges a flat annual rate of £65 for two visits. Mr Maltin still tends 20 graves in his area, but as the client base grows he is considering appointing a local gardener. He says: "I am very busy answering customers' inquiries, filing a huge amount of paperwork, allocating jobs and processing films."
The films are part of his quality

control. Agents must take beforecontrol. Agents must take before-and-after photographs of the graves to prove the job has been done. Mr Maltin says: "Graves are visited within 28 days of a new client contacting me. I send all my agents a 20-page pack detailing how to do the grave-tending. They cut the grass, clip the edge and clean the monument. They don't pour on weedkiller, they take the weeds out from the roots; they use a scrubbing brush to remove algae from the stone and let me know if masonry work needs doing."

Many clients are over 70 and are

looking after the graves of parents or spouses. Mr Maltin says: "They are caring people, but they do not have the strength, time, energy or tools to do the job." Timothy Maltin: 01672 851851



Timothy Maltin: "wielding a pair of shears was not alien to me"

Tax roadblock waits round the corner for company cars

By RODNEY HOBSON

employed could be heading for hefty penalties from the Inland Revenue if they fail to keep full mileage records of cars used on company business. Penalties under the new self-assessment for income tax range up to £3,000 for each failure to comply with the regulations, plus further penalties and charges for back tax and interest if

tax has been underpaid. Accountants and business consultants say that small businesses have failed to realise the impact of the tax changes on car allowances.

Stefanie Bowman, who runs a tax and business consultancy at Lunerworth. Leicestershire, says excuses for failing to keep a log of business mileages include: it has never been necessary before; I have not got the time because I am too busy earning a living; the Inland Revenue is unlikely to pick on me; and I keep all my business receipts and bank statements, surely that is

She says: From April this year there can be hefty penalties under self-assessment if you cannot sub-stantiate claims for business costs and reliefs against business income. An error in your tax claim for business use of your car can result in underpaid tax in two areas, capital allowances and running costs."

The percentage of total mileage that is accounted for by business use is used to calculate the capital allowance. For example, a car costing £8.000 and used entirely for business purposes would allow the business to claim 52.000, a quarter of the purchase price, off taxable income. If the car was used 50-50

SMALL businesses and the self- for business and private use, the allowance would be halved.

The percentage of business mileage would also be used to calculate the amount of running costs that could be deducted from tax.

Mrs Bowman says where a business claimed 90 per cent business use for a car that was in fact used only 50 per cent for business, used only 50 per cent for business, the allowances overclaimed could be as high as £1,400 for a modest car with £1,500 running costs. That would result in a £336 underpayment for a standard taxpayer or £560 for a 40 per cent taxpayer.

She says: "Don't forget that the figures refer to one year only, not

figures refer to one year only, not including National Insurance, and the Inland Revenue can go back six years. There will be interest and penalties on top. Do you want to take the risk of not keeping a business log?"

The log should show business mileage on a daily basis. It is not enough to write down something like 10 X 45 miles for trips to a regular supplier or customer. The log should show the date and starting and ending point of a journey, the name of the business or individual visited and the mileometer reading at the start and end of each tax year.

Mrs Bowman says the Inland Revenue is unlikely to go hard on any business that starts keeping full records now, even if mileage from April 6 to the present date has to be estimated. She says: There is some doubt about how the inland Revenue will cope, given a brand new system and cuts in staffing levels. It is believed that there will be a certain amount of lenience for 1996-97, but do not bank on it."



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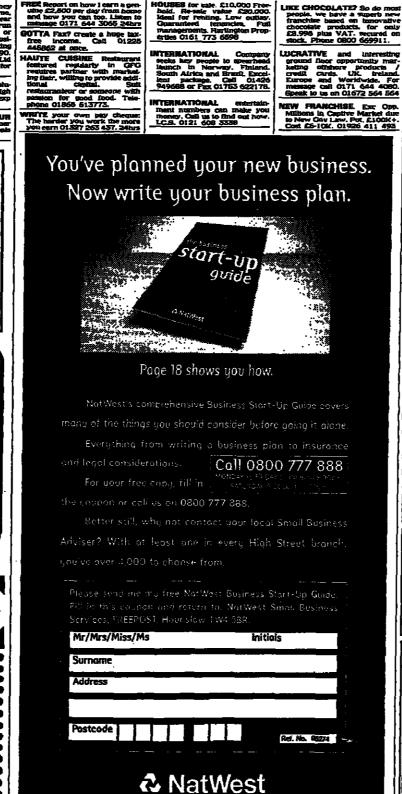
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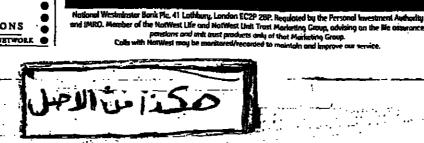


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Court of Appeal

Savings urged by more use of admissions

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Regina v Jackson Before Lard Justice Kennedy, Mr.

Justice Holland and Judge Stephens, OC |Reasons May 10|

Although an expert witness was not, strictly speaking, permitted to give an opinion in court based on scientific tests run by assistants unless all those assistants were called upon to give supporting evidence in court, savings of time and money could be made by the maximum use of the facility to present such evidence in written form or, even more simply, by the

The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so held giving reserved reasons for dismissing on May 7 an appeal by Terry Paul Jackson against his conviction in September 1995 at Southwark Crown Court (Mr Recorder Jackson and a jury) of assault occasioning actual bodily harm for which he was ced to 18 months detention in a young offender institution.

Miss Amanda Tedore, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal or the appellant; Mr Peter McGrail for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE HOLLAND, giving the judgment of the court, said that the appellant and two other youths, Neil Hannington and John Caffrey, were charged with attacking Graham Taylor who was punched and kicked until he lost consciousness. Caffrey and the appellant were convicted but Hannington was acquitted by direction of the judge. Caffrey had not applied for leave to appeal.

Blood stains were found on the appellant's shoes and the lower edge of his jeans. A forensic scientist, Mr Martin Whinaker, gave evidence that by reference to STR typing, a form of DNA analysis, there was "strong evidence to support the assertion that Taylor's blood was on the appelevidence to assist in assessing whether the appellant kicked

Mr Whittaker provided similar evidence with respect to blood found on Caffrey's trousers. The appellant admitted he had approached Mr Taylor while he was heing attacked, so acquiring the blood on his trousers, but that that was with a view to stopping the attack.

The problem founding the appeal arose thus, for the purposes of committal, witness statements, including that of Mr Whittaker, were served on the defendants. Mr Whittaker stated that he had been assisted by six other laboratory staff in the STR typing and that a full record of the work carried out could be prepared from the other staff involved provided sufficient notice was given.

There was no reaction from the defendants advisers with respect that statement. In opening, osecuting counsel made use of the content of Mr Whittaker's statement without any objection. Before the close of the prosecution there was no request by the admissions as to fact pursuant to section 10 of the Criminal Justice

Act 1967. None of the submissions of "no case" made on behalf of the three fendants was based on Mr Whinaker's professed interpretation of that which had not been directly proved.

It was not until after Jackson d given evidence that counsel for Callrey, Mr C. J. Hart, drew the attention of other counsel and then the court to the lack of evidence as to that which Mr Whittaker had interpreted and cited a decision of the court R v Abadom (1983) 1 WLR 126), the headnote of which at ((1983) 76 Cr App R 48) read: Where an expert witness relies on the existence or non-existence of some fact which is basic to the question on which he is asked to

"Further, where the existence or non-existence of some fact is in issue a report made by an expert who is not called as a witness is not admissible as evidence of that fact merely by the production of the report, even though it was made by an expert."

judge. Mr Whittaker did expressly rely on the existence of facts which not been proved and it followed that there was then no evidential foundation for his opininn. Miss Tedore adopted that The Crown then made a belated

application to provide the necessary evidence by serving state-ments as additional evidence and by then calling the witnesses. By way of a conspicuously

thorough ruling the judge ruled in favour of the Crown who called two of the witnesses from the examination schedule, recalled Mr Whittaker and secured the admission of a set of documents with the aid of another careful ruling from the judge. The trial proceeded normally thereafter to vendict. Their Lordships then made the following observations about that sequence of events.

Whereas individually they had not previously encountered a statement from an expert containing a paragraph similar to that cited, their Lordships believed that the device was not uncommon.

Preparation of statements by everyone named in the examination schedules might be timeconsuming and therefore costly. Given that more often than not not give rise to factual issues, the situation here, and were either read or made the foundation for an admission, it was tempting in the interests of the public purse not to put preparation in train unless and until the defence flagged up an

Their Lordships made no com-

ment about that practice not having received submissions about it, but did comment on the Criminal Justice Act 1988. consequences of its adoption as

I Mr Whittaker's statement was fatally flawed because the primary facts upon which his opinion was based were not proved by him; he had no personal knowledge of such and his expertise could not extend to establishing their existence.

2 It was for the Crown to identify and fill the evidential gap. Had the point been identified at the appropriate time, that is on a first reading of Mr Whittaker's statement, perhaps ways of saving costs and time could have been

The Report of the Royal Commission on Criminal Justice 1993 (Cmd 2263) raised the same concern in paragraph 78 of Chapter 9 "It seems to us that this rule las to expert witnesses giving hearsay evidence is hadly in need of change and we recommend that it be considered by the Law Commission...

"Meanwhile, although the defence must have the right to examine the assistants of expert witnesses if it so chooses, we look to the courts and to the parties to make maximum use of the facility to present the evidence of assistants in written form until such time as the law is changed. Any unreasonable exploitation of the system should be met by sanctions nst the counsel concerned if he or she is found to be responsible.

That passage was cited in full in

Consultation Paper of the Law

Commission, No. 138 on Evidence

in Criminal Proceedings: Hearsay and Related Topics (1995, p210). Their Lordships drew attention to the scope for some alternative cost and time saving approach. encouraged by the use of admissions and by perusal of section Evidence Act 1984, the Crown

Court (Advance Notice of Expert

(L2)) and sections 30 and 31 of the

As Mr McGrail had pointed out. plea and directions hearing offered an excellent opportunity for any such problem to be identified and resolved. 3 Granted that the Court of Appeal

was in a position to review the case with the advantages of hindsight and experience, their Lordships could not be other than critical. Not only did all counsel fail to identify the evidential gap until very late in the day. Once the point

had emerged it was thereafter dealt with over two days without obvious regard for costs, for time or for patience of respectively the judge and, more importantly, the jury: all this when this appellant was admitting contact with the victim's blood and when Caffrey's denial of such contact had given rise to no earlier challenge of the data on which Mr Whittaker had advised.

much of the foregoing, their Lord-ships hoped that this case and these comments would serve rap-

the evidential gap could have been simply dealt with by the use of admissions. Indeed if the defence had been minded to refuse to make such, that refusal would have triggered a helpful inquiry into what issues were real so as to command the subsequent attention of the court and the jury.

The grounds of appeal criticised the judge's exercise of his discretion to allow the crown laredly to close the evidential gap laredly to close the evidential gap adducing evidence after close of the prosecution case but their Lordships could not fault his exceptionally careful exposition properly based as it was upon the uidance in R v Francis ([1990] 1 guidano. ... WLR 1264).

The court had no hesitation in dismissing the appeal. Solicitors: Crown Prosecution

Misuse of fresh water fishing licensing powers used the coops for catching

its licensing powers to reverse the burden of proof and require Dr Haughey to show that what he intended to do would not be unlawful if he wished to obtain a

Legal costs and fines not deductible for tax

Mcknight (Inspector of Taxes) v Sheppard Sheppard v McKnight (Inspector of Taxes)

Before Mr Justice Lightman Budgment May [4]

Legal costs and fines incurred by a stockbroker in connection with disciplinary proceedings brought honesty and misconduct were not deductible as revenue expenditure in calculating the taxable profits of his business.

Having deliberately departed from the rules of the Stock Ex-change and from the lawful conduct of his business, the expenditure, although incurred wholly and exclusively for the purpose of his trade, did not have a profit-carning activity and thus came within the prohibition imposed by section 130(a) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970, see now section 74(1) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act

Mr Justice Lightman so held in a reserved judgment in the Chan-cery Division allowing an appeal by the Crown from the determination of a special commissioner, Mr Theodore Wallace, that had held expenditure of £202,246 incurred by the taxpayer, Brian Stephen Sheppard, on legal fees was deductible under Case I of Schedule D.

The judge dismissed a cross-appeal by the taxpayer against the commissioner's determination that the expenditure on paying lines of £50,000 was not deductible.

The taxpayer was the sole proprietor of his stockbroking business. In 1986 the Stock Exchange Council's disciplinary committee found that he had committed various acts of dishonesty, gross misconduct and ordinary misconduct and imposed a six-month suspension from trading on him.

On his appeal to the disciplinary appeals committee a number of the charges were upheld but the suspension was reduced to fines of E50,000. The taxpayer incurred legal fees of £202,246 in connection with those proceedings. At both hearing he was represented by London solicitors who had instructed leading and junior

The tax inspector said that the sums were not wholly and exclu-sively for the purposes of the trade within section 130(a) of the 1970 Act as they were for non-trading purposes and that they were also disallowed under section (30te) as losses not connected with, or arising out of the trade.

Mr Timothy Brennan for the Crown; Mr Hugh McKay for the taxpaver.

MR JUSTICE LIGHTMAN said that under Case I of Schedule D tax was charged on the profits of the trade. It was only possible to compute the profits by setting against receipts the expenditure wholly and exclusively incurred for the purpose of earning the

receipts. In considering whether an item of expenditure was deductible, section 130(a) imposed three hurdles for a taxpayer to overcome (i) whether the item constituted a

disbursement or expense. If it did not that was the end of the exercise; (ii) what was the purpose of the disbursement. Unless it was wholly and exclusively incurred for the purpose of enabling the trader to carry on and earn profits. for example, if there was some other extraneous purpose, it was

not deductible; and (iii) whether the disbursement was sufficiently connected with the carrying on and earning of profits

In view of the findings of the special commissioner, accepting that the taxpayer's sole purpose in incurring the expense was to save his business, although incidentally also saving his reputation, it was to be accepted that the taxpayer had surmounted hurdles (i) and (ii).

However, for the expendidture to qualify as deductible it had to be nolly and exclusively laid out or incurred for the purposes of the taxpayer's trade as a stockbroker. He did not have to establish that the expenditure was necessary for the purpose of carrying on his profit-earning activity: it was sufficient that the expenditure was expedient for that purpose.

The critical consideration was the degree of connection between the expenditure and the profit-earning trade activity. It was necessary that the expenditure was an incident or cost of carrying on

The cost of bringing or defending legal proceedings and of pay-ing damages or a sum in settlement of a claim, as a trading or commercial cost, might be

If the risk of litigation was a risk which such trading required the trader to assume and and the liability to the adverse claim was incurred in the normal course of the conduct of the trader's profitearning activities, such expenditure would be deductible: see Strong v Woodfield ([1906] AC 448. 452); Herald & Weekly Times Ltd v Federal Commissioner of Tax-ation ((1932) 48 CLR 113) and etary Gold Mines Ltd ((1952) 33 TC

If, however, the risk and liability arose outside and not as an incident of the conduct of the trader's normal profit-carning activities, the expenditure would not qualify for deduction.

If the trader had deliberately underaken a course of conduct underaken a course of conduct of the conduct of his trade and thereby had incurred or occasioned liabilities or expenditure, the payment in satisfaction of those liabilities and the expenditure were not

There was no reason for adopting, as regarded expenditure in defending disciplinary proceed-ings, any different rule from that applicable in respect of the costs of defending civil proceedings.

A trader as an incident of his ofit-earning activities incurred the risk of complaints.

Whether the costs of defending the trader against the complaint were deductible depended on whether the act or omissions which occasioned the complaint occurred in the ordinary course of

If the act involved some serious departure from the standards procedures and rules of conduct required of the trader, the expenses

were likely to be disallowed. If the trader had deliberately committed a serious breach of the rules, in particular if he had been dishonest, then no question of deduction could arise. He had stepped outside the ordinary

The risk of disciplinary proceed ings was not a normal trade risk but an extraneous risk deliberately, unnecessarily and improperly assumed. It was not sufficiently connected with the profit-earning activity to qualify the disbursements and expenses flowing from it as allowable

The taxpayer had departed from the rules of the Stock Exchange and the ordinary, proper and lawful conduct of his trade. In the circumstances the expenses and fines lay outside the ambit of deductible disbursements

expenses. Had it been necessary to decide whether the expenditure also fell within section 130(e) it was to be noted that the losses clearly arose out of extraneous improper activities on the taxpayer's part deliberately undertaken contrary to the rules of the Stock Exchange and outside, and not part of the regular trade of a stockbroker and accordingly would be non-deductible. Solicitors: Solicitor of Inland

Revenue; Dunderdale Wignall,

MR JUSTICE BROOKE said enforcing its side of the argument the decision. in an ongoing dispute concerning that the issue was whether the The statutory purpose of the works done under section 109 of authority was entitled to maintain licensing system was to regulate the Water Resources Act 1991. that because of the effect of works the numbers of those who fished

Authority. Ex parte Haughey Before Mr Justice Brooke [Judgment May 3]

Regina v National Rivers

The licensing system under the Salmon and Fresh Water Fisheries Act 1975 was in place to regulate the numbers of those who lished and not for the purposes of inquiring into whether the use of any particular instrument speci-fied in the licence would be

Mr Justice Brooke so stated in a reserved judgment in the Queen's Bench Division when allowing an application for judicial review by Dr Edward Haughey of a decision by the National Rivers Authority

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on January 25, 1996 not to renew his fishing licences for three salmon coups at Corby Castle on the River Eden. Cumbria for the

Mr Robin Barratt, QC, for Dr Haughey: Mr Stephen Sauvain. QC, for the NRA.

to the weir on the flow of the river. Dr Haughey's coops or fixed engines could no longer benefit from the privilege conferred by a certificate issued in 1867 excluding them from a general ban on such fixed engines found in section 6 of

the 1475 Act. The authority could then refuse to license the coops for the 1996 season on the ground that to use them for catching salmon would now be unlawful.

In his Lordship's judgment, it was misconneived to seek to rely on paragraph 17 of Schedule 2 of the 1975 Act to justify the lawfulness of

for salmon, and the existence of the licensing system enabled the authority to know how many licences it had granted and to seek an appropriate order under section 26 of the 1975 Act if part of its area was

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otherwise likely to be over-fished. Of course it was entitled to decline to specify in a licence an instrument whose use for killing salmon would be clearly unlawful such as those specified in section I of the 1975 Act.

But it was not entitled to use its

His Lordship did not accept the contention that the works to the weir had in some way made the coops different from those given the certificate in 1867. That pos rulated that Dr Haughey would be doing something unlawful if he

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Power to grant anti-suit injunction

Airbus Industrie GIE v Patel and Others

Before Mr Justice Colman

Reasons April 23] An English court could grant an anti-suit injunction to restrain proceedings in any jurisdiction except one specified jurisdiction even when that jurisdiction was not England. The court would grant such an injunction only rarely, with considerable caution and only where the clearest case of

oppression was made out. Mr Justice Colman so held in the Queen's Bench Division in giving reasons for having refused on February 28 the application of the plaintiff, Airbus Industrie GIE, for an injunction to restrain the defe dants, Jaisukh Patel, Neeta Patel, D, an infant, by Jaisukh Patel, Rama Patel, Valbai Patel and T, an infant, by Ratna Patel, from pursuing an appeal against a decision of the Texas State District Court to refuse the defendants jurisdiction for an action against the applicant. Mr Robert S. Webb, QC and Mr Akhil Shah for Airbus; Mr Jeremy J. Russell, QC and Miss Poonant Melwani for the defendants.

MR JUSTICE COLMAN said that in 1994 an India Airlines A320-231 aircraft manufactured by Airbus crashed as it was about to land at Bangalore. The defendants all

an pangaiore, the detendants all had claims arising. On February 12, 1992 two sets of plaintiffs started separate proceed-ings against Airbus in the Texas state courts. The defendants in the present originating summons were plaintiffs in one action.

Following procedural manoeu-vres of astonishing complexity the Texas State District Court decided that Airbus was immune from suit in the United States. The defen-

dants had appealed.

By a judgment of the presiding judge of Bangalore City Civil Court, Sri G. Narahari, it was declared that the defendants were not entitled to proceed against Airbus in any court in the world other than in India/Bangalore. The purpose of the proceedings was to restrain the defendants from pursuing their Texas appeal.

The claim for an injunction in this case was unique. There was no case in which a party within the jurisdiction of the English courts had been restrained from pursuing proceedings except in the courts of country A where the party restrained desired to pursue proceedings in the courts of country B and country A was not

The availability of the English courts for the conduct of the substantive proceedings was not an essential precondition for the exercise of the jurisdiction to grant an anti-suit injunction. Where the defendant who had

invoked the jurisdiction of the foreign court was within the jurisdiction of the English court and his pursuit of the claim in the foreign court, which was not the natural forum, was also vexatious and oppressive, there was no reason, in principle, why he should not be prevented by an English injunc-tion from continuing the injustice

of the foreign proceedings.

In such cases the jurisdiction would have to be exercised with considerable caution and for that

rarely exercised.

The need for extreme caution arose because the English court was in effect being required to adjudicate between two or more foreign jurisdictions and in so doing was being required to determine whether the pursuit of proceedings in one or more of those jurisdictions was a matter of sufficient injustice to outweigh the considerations of comity which would otherwise cause the English courts to refrain from interference

in the pursuit of litigation in a foreign court which had accepted jurisdiction. In such a case the English court would be required to conduct a

from the pursuit of proceedings in different foreign courts which it might be less well able to do than if it were looking at the position where an English court was an alternative available forum.

Consequently, an injunction should in those circumstances only be granted where the clearest case of oppression was made out. Where an English court was invited to resolve a jurisdictional dispute involving competing for-eign jurisdictions an injunction should be granted only if there was a decisive balance of injustice to the party applying for the

It was impossible to say on the

any other court than the Indian court was clearly the more appropriate forum. Was it obviously vexatious or oppressive for the defendants to pursue proceedings otherwise than in the natural

On the whole of the evidence no decisive balance of injustice to Airbus was made out if the injunction were not granted. The continued pursuit by the defendants of the Texas action was not vexatious or oppressive and accordingly this was not an appropriate case for the English court to grant an anti-suit injunction.

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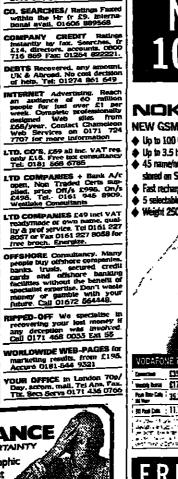
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Continental cream can land tasty Euro ITF prize

THERE are just 12 days to go before England and Switzer-land meet at Wembley to launch Euro 96, the biggest sporting event to be staged in Britain since the 1966 World Cup, and with it comes the chance to win a prize of £25,000 as The Times, in association with Winterthur. invites entries to its Euro Interactive Team Football competition.

By selecting 11 players and a manager, entrants will be able to follow the fortunes of their team as it accumulates points throughout the championship. The overall winner will collect £25,000, and there are also four E1,000 prizes for the best team performances in each of the first four sections.

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Full details of how to play and how to enter are given below. It is also possible to play Euro ITF on the Internet.



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On the opposite page. The Times' panel of experts has listed the players most likely to play in the European champ-ionship finals — only five nations have so far announced their 22-man squads - but, if there are a few players listed who do not eventually appear as members of the 16 parties, and you find that you have chosen one or more for your team, do not worry. Simply use the telephone alteration line, the number for which is given below, to change your

ALTERATIONS

You may alter as many players as is necessary, but you may only use the alteration line once to amend a team. If you attempt to use the

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well as the prizes in the main competition.

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and click on to the Euro ITF "Button". You can pay by credit card on-line or, if you prefer, by post. To enter by post you will need to print out an entry form from The Times' Internet site and send it to the Euro ITF entry address (details below), with a postal or money order for £5 sterling. In return, you will receive a special PIN number enabling you to enter your team on the

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During Section I (Saturday, June 8 to Tuesday, June II inclusive), team selectors will be able to transfer up to (but no more than) five individuals, the transfers becoming effective from the commencement of Section 2. During Section 2 (Thursday, June 13 to Sunday, June 16 inclusive), team selectors may register their next transfers, which will become effective for matches in Section 3, and during Section 3 (Tuesday, June 18 to Wednesday, June 19 inclusive) they may register their transfers which become effective for

matches in Section 4. During Section 4, which covers the four quarter-finals. team selectors may now choose up to four individuals from any one country, which will become effective for matches in Section 5, which covers the semi-finals and

The Times shortly.

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Hughes reckons that his Eastern European striking partnership of Stoichkov and Boksic would present difficulties to any defence

Golden boys valued by Hughes

am thoroughly convinced that Euro 96 is going to give football in Britain a massive boost. The tournament really needs England to perform well to set it alight and I think they have a good chance of at least reaching the semi-finals.

To start off my team, I picked Angelo Peruzzi, of Italy, not because I am a particular fan of his, but because I do not think he will concede many goals playing behind a strong Italian de-fence. He is their first-choice keeper at the moment.

In front of Peruzzi, my central defenders are Gary Pallister, of England, and Jürgen Kohler, of Germany. Pallister is the best central defender in the FA Carling Premiership - definitely my toughest opponent - and, as Mark Hughes, the Wales striker, tells James Willoughby about the players that he has selected for his Euro ITF team

the Premiership is one of the best leagues in the world, he must be included in any all-European team.

Kohler is a terrific player for any team to have. As we are playing a 4-4-2 here, he is a central defender, but he can slot in just about anywhere in any system if need be.

My full backs are Stefan Reuter, of Germany, and Frank de Boer, of Holland. Having two German players in my defence isn't going to hurt because they are so well organised at the back that they are just not going to leak goals during the tournament. Boer is another very versatile man and a real asset

see him linking well with to the Dutch. In midfield I am going with Ince, who is more of a goal Michael Laudrup, of Denthreat than he used to be. mark, Alessandro Del Piero.

of Italy, Holland's Edgar Davids, and Paul Ince. Laudrup's experience - he has nearly 90 caps - would be a bonus to my side and I

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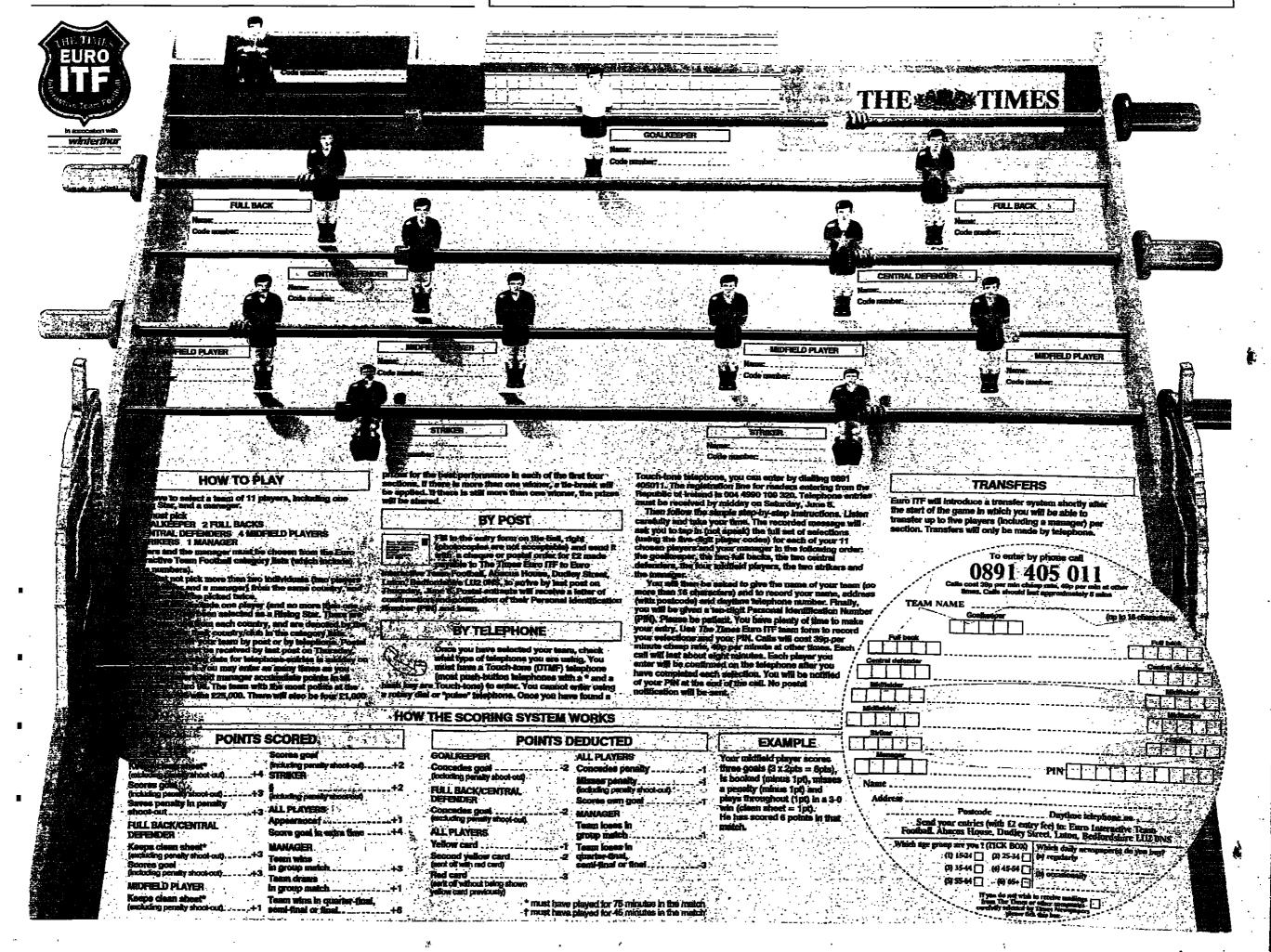
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youngster with fire in his belly is no bad thing. Up front, I think that an

Eastern European strikeforce of Croatia's Alen Boksic and Hristo Stoichkov, of Bulgaria, would frighten every defence in the world. These two are among my favourite strikers. In Boksic's favour is that Croatia are going to do very well in Euro 96; forget the game with England at Wembley, they are much better than that under tournament conditions. Stoichkov is an amazingly talented player, absolutely brilliant in fact, and he can score goals against any opposition. Without him. Bulgaria would be half the team they showed when reaching the semi-final of the last World Cup. Aimé Jacquet, of France, is my choice as manager.



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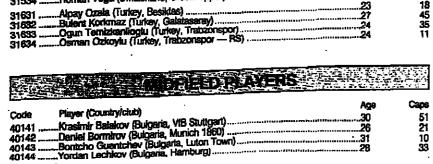
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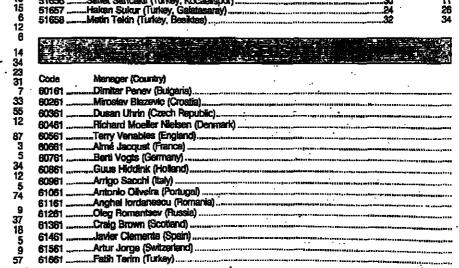
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For the sake of the state, and its

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Viewing by appointment:

No arch ever sleeps. But no on

in Marble Arch could ever

THE TIMES TODAY

Graduates face £12,000 bill

■ Graduates would have to pay back at least £12,000 for the cost of their university education over 20 years under a Labour government, it will be announced today.

The scheme, which marks the end of Labour's commitment to free higher education, would replace the existing hybrid system of grants, loans and parental contributions. Tuition fees would remain free. Both main parties have now accepted that the present system cannot continue

Sexual harassment case WPC to appeal

A policewoman who claimed that sexual harassment by her fellow officers brought her close to a nervous breakdown lost her case yesterday against three colleagues and their force. WPC Karen Wade, of West Yorkshire police, said immediately after the case that she would appeal.

Archbishop named

The Bishop of Salford, the Right Rev Patrick Kelly, is to be named by today as the new Archbishop of Liverpool. He is the favourite of the Roman Catholic Church's conservative wing...Page I

Nolan inquiry call

Labour last night demanded that the Nolan Commission on standards in public life investigate funding of the Conservative Party as the dispute intensified over an alleged donation from a Serbian businessmanPages 2, 17

Air crash heroine

A nurse who staggered from the wreckage of an air ambulance, raised the alarm and returned to rescue an injured doctor was praised as a heroine Page 3

Two-beer limit

British tourists risk being fined or jailed for drink-driving this summer unaware that the French alcohol limit has been cut ... Page 5

Rooms with a view

Marble Arch, one of the most famous addresses in London, may soon go on the market after a

refurbishmentPages 6, 17 Tribai warfare

Wolfgang B is a happy man. His team Cologne has just escaped relegation and in a few weeks he will be having the fight of his life outside some British pub. "It should be good," he says. "I've always liked Britain."..... Page 8

Life in the fast lane

To describe Nevada's Silver State Classic Challenge as a race is misleading. It is not so much a competitive event as an excuse to drive as fast as one daresPage 10

Likud funds vow

Binyamin Netanyahu, leader of the Likud Party, has pledged to switch funds earmarked for the embryonic Palestinian Authority to Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip if he wins the May 29 electionPage 11

Peace pledge

Lee Teng-Hui, the President of Taiwan, has pledged to "embark on a journey of peace to mainland China" in his inaugural address. His words, will, however, ring hollow in Peking___

Iraq oil deal

Iraq has accepted a United Nations "oil-for-food" deal that will allow it to sell oil on world markets for the first time since the Gulf War Page 12

Courting favour

Grigori Yavlinsky, a young, charismatic and popular Russian politician, has manoeuvred himself into the role of kingmaker in the presidential elections Page 13

Estate of Grace

Items owned by the late Princess Grace of Monaco may be auctioned for charity. Her son, Albert, visiting Manhattan, is said to be sympathetic to a salePage 13

Forsyth faces the music

Rock music fans may be about to present Michael Forsyth. the Scottish Secretary, with the most difficult decision of his career. Eighty thousand tickets have been sold for two Oasis concerts in a conservation area on Loch Lomondside before planning permission has been granted. The final go-head could rest with Mr Forsyth



Supporters of India's Hindu Bharatiya Janata party at a weekend victory rally in New Delhi addressed by the Prime Minister

Economic woes: European growth prospects have been revised down sharply by the OECD, even without taking account of stringent new budget deficit-cutting measures aimed at meeting the criteria for a single currency......Page 25

Railtrack premium: Investors in Railtrack enjoyed substantial profits on the first day of sharePage 25

BA savings: British Airways accompanied record pre-tax profits of E585 million with plans to seek a further El billion of efficiency savings by the year 2000 Page 25

Markets: The FT-SE 100 index fell 11.4 points to 3,778.2. Sterling's trade-weighted index climbed from 84.4 to 84.5... ..Page 28

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Football: Ian Rush, the Wales striker, signed a two-year contract with Leeds United worth an estimated £1 million. The move ends a supremely successful 16 years with Liverpool.

Cricket: Dermot Reeve, the Warwickshire captain, was accused of questionable tactics by his opposite number as they lost by 122 runs to Hampshire at Edgbaston. Page 48

Boxing: Lennox Lewis is likely to meet Riddick Bowe in September in Las Vegas and then challenge for the world title in December or early in the new year ...

Rugby union: Richmond, who have already signed five internationals, added Simon Mason, the Ireland full back, to their ranks Page 46

French master: The glory of Degas is revealed in a new exhibition at the National Gallery which focuses on the later, and less lauded, yearsPage 33 of his career

Painter at heart: Looking at a work by Gillian Ayres, it soon becomes clear that this artist's chosen subject is painting itself, as her London show reveals...... Page 33

Dancing high: The American choreographer Trisha Brown launches her British tour at the Brighton Festival with a fascinating programme that mixes new with

Carmes delights: Some film critics have complained that the standard of entries in this year's Cannes Film Festival was too high. But Geoff Brown is not among them Page 35

TOMORROW

■ FASHION

IN THE TIMES

Millinery returns: why

getting ahead means

getting a hat again

■ INTERFACE

Sega's £45 million

indoor theme park in

central London, plus

£230 each to be won

15 cordless phones worth

FEATURES

A "leetle" fable: Antoine de Caunes, the cute half of the Eurotrash duo, talks to Mary Riddell about his new television show and why he is impossible to live with. Happy families: Giles Coren. son of

the celebrated Clinique La Prairie in Switzerland to find out why so many famous people swear by its

yers' reputations

President Clinton had the opportunity to fashion a strong policy against anti-personnel mines, and he lost it. The new policy ... ends up legitimizing mines as a specific

Cangerous driving: As the police investigate an apparent case of road-rage murder, an AA survey sheds some light on why drivers give way to violence..........Page 14 Quick fix: Joseph Connolly visits

rejuvenating injections Page 14

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A matter of respect: The President of the Law Society has asked J. Walter Thompson to mount an advertising campaign to improve law-

cil wants to extend the time barristers wait to be called to the Bar. Not a good idea, says one QC...Page 39

weapon - The Washington Post

Alan and brother of Victoria, writes about nepotism

BODY AND MIND

Walting for the call: The Bar Coun-

THE PAPERS

If the German Government fails to take a rigorous view of the EMU criteria, those of us whe oppose an overhasty union are certain to launch lawsuits in the court that will re-examine the procedure...

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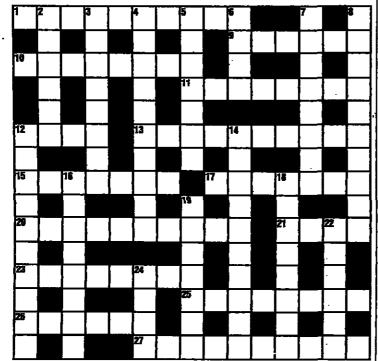
LIBBY PURVES

Dwellers on this treacherous rock need to be ready for anything, and a deep instinct tells me that the day we cannot cope with that is the day of our final decadence Page 16

Jon Pertwee, actor: Simon Weinstock, director of GEC: George Malcolm Thomson, 22thor, aide to Lord Beaverbrook and chief leader writer for the Daily

Reform for forensic testing; science in British Library; Liberal's vote on EEC; Mohamed Al Fayed and the Liberal Democrats: charitable bequests; witness support; hymns a and anthems; Ten Tors trek Page II

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 20,173



ACROSS

- I Inventor inserting article in fine sharpener (10).
- 9 French hero involved in a crony's writing (6). 10 Poem finished then not written
- down (8). 11 Cooked meats, for instance, turned back by customs (8). 12 lt's essential for shifting car
- exhaust sound (4). 13 Lane drover's travelling for cattleman (10).
- 15 No rubbish must be returned to city (7). 17 Spiritual elegy's ultimate style,

following second thoughts (7).

- 20 Numb with melody thrashed out in heavy metal? Quite (10). 21 A team's powers working together
 - leaders thrown out of office (8). Solution to Puzzle No 20,172

23 What might help rash trio of

- 25 Painful separation in Bible, with soul in terment (8).
- 26 Purchasing unit for some wartime Scud offensive (6).
- 27 Pirate fighting English for some treasure? (10).

2 The knack in calling for attention

- is being enthusiastic (6). 3 Unappealing character, as Leander never was? (8). 4 Foes routed in a melee without
- any slip-up (4-6). 5 Pictures river going over agricultural produce (7).
- 6 Light-coloured coin bearing head of ruler (4). 7 Old woman joining tribe before a hard Passover reading (8).
- 8 They're employed to line up warm bread from oven (5-5). 12 Carry representative and exuberant expressions of Spanish
- native art (5,5). 14 What cobbler uses very little with no time to spare? (4-6).
- 16 Turn cheek for protection against a blow (4-4). 18 China was transported in swift
- cutter (8). 19 Put in post, as Tom Thumb was 22 Like some games in party round
- 24 Female's losing head about love the culprit? (4).

end of December (6).

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drier and brighter from the west. London, SE England, E Anglia, E England, Central N, NE England, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee: surny spells with heavy and perhaps thundery showers. Showers dying out by evening. Wind southerly moderate becoming westerly moderate to fresh. Max 14C (57F).

☐ Central S England, E Midlands, W Midlands, N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland: sunny spells with heavy showers at first. Longer sunny spells in afternoon. Wind southwesterly moderate to fresh becoming westerly. Max

Channel Isles, SW England, S Wales, N Ireland: surny spells and showers, some heavy at first. Becoming mostly dry by late afternoon but thickening cloud spreading rain back around dusk. Wind westerly moderate to freeh becoming out the state. to fresh becoming southwesterly. Max 14C (57F) ☐ Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NW Scotland: cloudy with showery bursts of rain, becoming

brighter but still some heavy showers Wind mostly south or southeasterly moderate to tresh, locally strong. Max 13C (55F). ☐ Glasgow, Argyll: cloudy with heavy showers, becoming brighter and then drier. Wind southeasterly

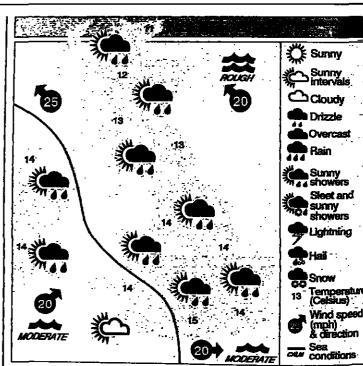
tresh or strong, locally near gale. Max 13C (55F). ☐ NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: surrry spells and scattered showers. Wind southeasterly fresh to strong, becoming southerly later. Max 12C (54F).

Outlook: rain spreading from the west tomorrow, showers on Thursday. AROTAN BRITAIN

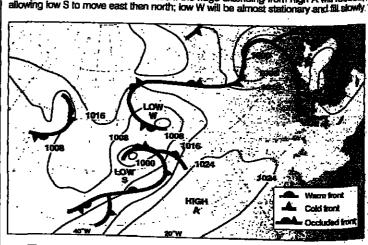
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